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No 139

Sir

Joseph Webb Esqr

Secretary to Government

Sir

I have the honor to
enclose a Paper of
Intelligence for the
Information of Your
Lordship — and have
the honor to be
Sir Your most obedient
Humble Servant
Jan. 15th 1814 John Hammond

Copy to Bengal
v Hyderabad
v Bombay
v Bombay and
Malabar coast
16 January 99

From Captain Symons
15 January 1799

Lord Duncan

Copy to Bengal
Bombay
Hyderabad
Bussorah and
Malabar coast
26 January 99

To
Lewis Wetherby Esqr
Secretary to Government
&c &c

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you for the Lordships information, that all is quiet on this Frontier, and the communication between the Tuscarawas and Muskingum is perfectly free. I have the honor to be

Sir
your most obedient
humble servant
Jno Hy Myers
Capt

Tomorrow the
10th January
1799
4 P.M.

the which also the whole of the Gun bullocks are assembling. — The Boyd Horse are collected at Seathery and Bunnoor. The Bazar Maratta & Sillahdars are on the South side of the River near the Kuna Ghehan between Adjapore and Seringapatam. The Elephants and Camels have not yet come in from their respective places of forage. — It is reported that the Sultaun will return to his tents after the Eade of the Shubé Burāh which falls on the 20th Inst, when the Grenadiers of Infantry will also march to camp. —

It is rumoured very secretly, that the Boyd Horse are to enter the Company's territories by the Pass of Caverypatam, and the Horse towards Salem, Darumpoory &c. — The Residents at Bidnore

are

are to enter the Southern Countries
by the Bujeldpatty Pass. — The Station
remains with the Main Army who
march to Bengalore. —

Then are already small
parties of the Regt. gone advanced
towards Dendegy, Trichy, and Every
Hour. —

I have the honour to be,

Sir, Your most obedient
humble Servant,

[illegible]

[illegible]
10th Jan: 1769

1799.

Intelligence from
Seringapatam of the
7th Jan: entered in
Copy: Sydenham's letter
of 14. Jan.

Intelligence

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" Hyderabad
" Poona
" Bombay and
" Calcutta

16 January 99

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To Josiah Wedgwood Esqre

Secretary to the Government

Sir, I have the honour to acquaint you that I am this morning [illegible] Fort St Philip on the 12th inst. — They inform me that the Sultan's Tents and Guards were pitched on the 10th instant, on the large circular mound the Western Plain — the whole of the Mussulmans of the State have also repaired thither on that day, and are there encamped. The Remainder of Infantry and two Field Pieces remain encamped on the Strand — The Guns, which I mentioned in my letter of the 5th instant as having been brought across the River, have been carried to the Spot of the encampment & mounted on the Sand Batteries, &

[illegible]

Hyder – the Nabob Hummeed ul deen Cawn, and the Nabob Mooz mohud ul deen, alias Syed Saheb. Hummeed ul deen, refuses to act with his colleague, and requires a separate command, in consequence of which the Hummeed Cawnya, and the Nabob Mooz ul deen, are to remain to persuade them to combine with the views of the Durbar &c.

The Nabob Mooz ul deen, is an ancient coward, but is an able financier, and is in possession, as to be related by all descriptions of people. He is also supposed fathomless and therefore, is in some measure, deemed the Sultaun to be substituted to him.

Shah Ahmed Cawn by dey, is an empty headed young man unpractised in control, and on view of the death of the Sultaun, besides Hummeed ul deen, is competitor for the Musnud, and therefore is very unlikely to remain friendly with individuals towards him.

Hummeed ul deen, is a sensible, cool, liberal, and enterprising fellow, beloved by every one, and is no person who will not resign to the one, or strick the undermost of the other so it is no wonder he has applied for a distinct command

All is quiet in this Countries

John Hy Lumsden
Capt

Camp near the
City of Bangalore
the 18th January 1799
1 o'clock PM

1799.
Captain Symmons
to Sec.y Dobbs
11. Jan.y

Intelligence from Lieutenant Colonel [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Sultaun remains on that [illegible]
military store

Four thousand regular infantry and
five thousand sepoys are still on the ground

Troops encamped on the North bank of the
Cauvery

Four thousand three hundred cavalry,
seven thousand irregular horse, eleven
thousand sepoys, and seven thousand matchlock
men, with forty field pieces. Two hundred and sixty elephants
employed in carrying baggage, and fifteen stage are belonging
to the encampment

Two thousand Cushoon Sowars or irregular cavalry who
were at forage on the adjacent districts of Mysore Chungpal
Moon, Bungul, Hurpur and Soorapoor surrendered
assembled at Cankary, ten miles east of Seringapatam

Four Regulars of irregular cavalry were ordered to proceed
to Bangalore, by the route of Maugrel but the order was
countermanded

Five Mulgeerpoor Cushoon or Horse guards, consisting
of a thousand select men and horses, with at forage in the
district of Hoodamelly, near the Carighaut Pass

Corps Guard of Seringapatam

The Mysore army had marched from the Cauvery
for Cuddapah, whence it would be joined by a detach-
ment of Cuddapah troops

The Peishwa's army would join their
Mahratta Army, to the assistance of the Sultaun

Some Troops of Cavalry chose a Mahratta Chief
to command them

The Sultaun does not take the field but sends
his army, under the joint command of the [illegible]

With regard to the Army - the whole of it is encamped near the Sherpah Hill - the Front pass is at Bangalore - Accounts have been received that a Mahratta Sardar with 4000 Horse is coming to engage the Cutlaun

Extract from Letter to Mr Saddler to the Persian - when he began to establish a communication with Cerring apparently it was thro' him that the return transmitted on the 1st of Month was received

In the Abstract of this return was short of the whole Strength of Corps by about amount 2976 - which added to the 11 battalions of Sepoys in 1782 is 3662 - and to the 11 battalions of Sidhaur 7352 - So the Strength of all descriptions effectively amounted to

[illegible] Month of the 11 battalions of Infantry without allowing increase by recruiting in December to the Officers Grand Pioneers 8330 = exclusive of Settlers - To detach the [illegible] Camp Corps must be about 3000 fighting men of all descriptions

The Landing at the Jarrow Establishment remains in the East of Seringapatam.

There is scarcely a Palankeen of the Army left in [illegible]

Barcarrah Pig not received in Cannon - but the Orders to number him seeing them drawn across the River Country on Eight Days Leave

I have the honor to be

Copy to Bengal
Bombay
Army
Hyderabad
Bombay
Bellaba road

Sir
Your very obedient Servant
William Kaulbach

To
Sarah Hobbs Esqr
Secretary to Gen[illegible]

Sir
I have the honor to transmit
a Paper of Intelligence for the information
of his Lordship and have the honor
to be Sir your most Obedt
Humble Servant
Tongeendg John Hyman
14th Jan Capt
1755

Shaikh	Yahia el Deen	450
Do	Nasser el Deen	300
Chaoush	Yoolam Ally	125
	Suag	238
The son of Sheikh	El Deen	90
Seer	Mahomed Saadick	300
Seer	Meran, Mahomed Issa	200
Do	Nirmah	240
Do	Naser Ally	108
Do	Sayd Kofar	101
Do	Beeadoor Rahman	207
Do	Sheikh El Deen	96
Seer	Seif — Seer Shabas	219
Do	Mahomed Meran	144
Do	Ber Ibrahim	120
Do	Sayd Mahomed Jan	96
Do	Meran El Deen	96
Do	Ibrahim Ally	54
Do	Sheik Ayoob	33

The following were most [illegible] in the late [illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible] the Pershash [illegible] Gunners — Those which are
[illegible] in that list are the Mashalchee — the Gun Lascar
Bhaut [illegible] — the Camp Colourmen — the Palankeen
& Hindoostanee Servants —

[illegible] desired that if should [illegible] an acquaintance with the
Boatmen of the Chaloon with a view of [illegible]

the Public [illegible] that if [illegible] the Composition
& danger which [illegible]

the Seer Sun [illegible] Composing of [illegible] Boatmen &
[illegible] in the Campaign country

The Above are the private property of the several Gentlemen
[illegible] to the respective Seer Beers, and not included in the
Chaloon Effects —
Seer Merans as members of the Military Department
[illegible] Naval Department

Futteh Mahomed Burkee	406
Hyder Ayder "	508
Meer Ahmed "	576
Mahomed Hanoowee "	353
	1813

According to the French accounts of them have yet arrived at the Shore are seven Battalions.

It is said that Bhow Jee Mahratta Chief is with a design to attack the Sultaun.

With respect to the disposition of the troops the Cahoor Horse are to be employed to Paon Ghaut

Rauf Futtehgurr	400	2038
Meer Ismael Futtehgurr	401	
Hamdulla Futtehgurr	400	
Burkan Futtehgurr	404	
Rasheed Futtehgurr	433	

They have received instructions and will be in Readiness as soon as they are with the rest of the Army encamped along the Cochany River to the Northward of Bellary. The Sultaun is with the Futteh Hyder and Sumun-ul-Deen are left at Nundydroog.

I have got much of the information of the disposition of the Army encamped, the assistance of Jacky & the People have not been opportunity to write for it.

The Futtehgurrs of Rauf are at Cudapah. They will set out as soon as the Bullock Mayaruch or Provision of Ballaghaut

* From Chaut it is one days Journey to Paon Ghaut
The Futtehgurrs are composed of 400 each & the other 38 Horse
of Cahoor in my return of the 10th June from the Nizam the
next number in the original noted
+ The Sultaun absent on Coast
# The original impression (Sarjay) may signify other numbers in the

Imagine

[illegible] which arrived last night from [illegible]
by the Cavery Caveripaum post brings the Intelligence which is
expected upon that the whole of the Subahdars Army
Infantry and Guns encamped in the Course of this
3d and Twenty the 4th Inst on the North side
Cavery along the Coleroon River with the Right on
Seringhur Hill and its front towards Bengaloe
The Subahdars Tents were pitching both the Night and
Day marched out from the Palace in the Fort
reported in the Camp that the Army was to remain
at Seringhur Days on the present occasion
was said to be the Subahdars Bengaloe

The Marcarrah dig not observe any more
side of the Cavery all the way from Trichinopoly
Caveripaum He has brought three of the Inhabitants
the persian language from Officers in the Subahdars

The letter No 1 is written by the same person
mentioned the letter which I had the honor to address
to you last month and as no one of the Inhabitants
in the Subahdary dispatches the Correspondence by Land
than can scarcely be depended

Note No 1 You desired to be informed when the
Mahrattas were entering in the Carnatic
or expected
any Gun Powder or Shot in the Country

the Sultan is much insulted with a decree in his Divan, which prevents him from taking the Field

Copies of a letter from Constantinople
The Reis Effendi or Turkish Secretary
for Foreign affairs, more subtle than the Grand Vizier Character of the Ambassador, and the Barbarian Secretary, Organ of the Sultan Command or Lord of the Seraglio are strenuous advocates for peace with the English, but the Sultan fury has pledged himself in such a manner to the French, that he cannot with honour break on every side, that the former merely means to make use of him, and of his Fleet, are ultimately more to be dreaded than the English

We shall in this Situation

Yours &c

Tonge...
16th January
1788

From Captain John Ho.
Lymond 16th January
1799

[illegible]

From Major G Dowston

15th. January 1799

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Josiah Wedgwood Esqr
Secretary to Government
Sir
I have the honour to transmit
you a Paper of Intelligence
for his Lordships
information and have
the honor to be
Your most obedient
humble servant
Tho. Hislop
Lieut. Col. Commanding
Seringapatam
January
1799

my people day, at dawning of the
movement of the Nizam's Army
heard and conducted, as it was
reported at Goody, by two Brigades
of the English - Within my people
left Goody the Nizam's Army was
said to be encamped at a place
called Vakungeri Somapoor, and
was to proceed to the Carnatic by
the route of Kankanmully, Cuppa
&c -- I have likewise remained
at Goody that a body of 2,000 Ma-
ratta Horse were at Coppaul & Be-
lauder engaged, and that they had
been joined by a large party of Pin-
-dorries chiefly Peadas from the districts
of Harpiorhully, Chitteldroog &c.

I beg leave to mention
that of the people whom I employed
about Goody &c. I have directed
two to fall in with the Nizam's
Army

Army on its march from the North-
-ward and to communicate to the
Commanding Officer such informat-
-ion as they may stand in need of. - I
trust that I may not have been
wrong. -

I have the honour to be

Sir, Your most Obed.t &
humble servant

C. Lee

Jno. Bell
Jan.y 15.th 1779.

from Captain Symons

13 January 93

Mth Intelligence

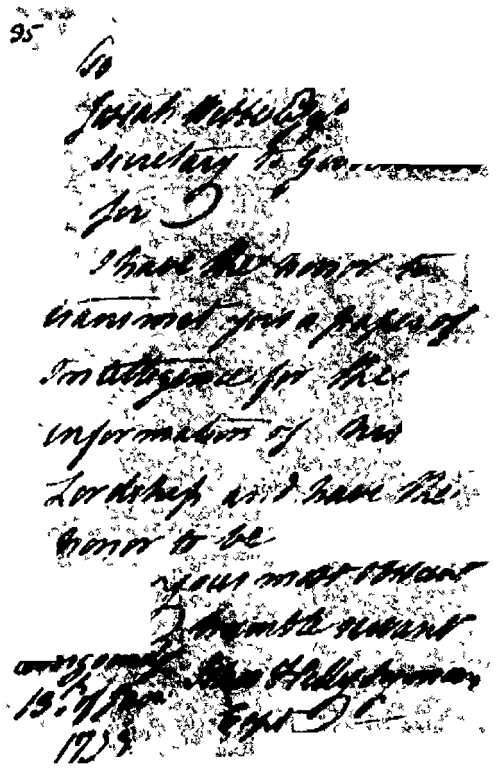
To Josiah Webbe Esqre
Secretary to the Government

Sir

I have the honour to
acquaint you that two officers
came in this morning from Gorey
which they left on the 6th Inst. They
inform me that the rebels have
formerly reported it will at Gorey
under the Command of Mr Cornelius
Kelly Esqre and Revd Mr Roche. The
body of insurgents reported in my
letter of the 6th Inst to have marched
to Enniscorthy, to fall there, on
Enniscorthy & retired, after the
Cavalier fired from Gorey some
time, have been lately ordered to replace.

The inhabitants and
others at Gorey are much alarmed

I am



the communication between the Inhabitants of the Illinois Country on the South side of the Ohio and those of our Districts on the North side was prohibited by Governor Hamilton about the middle of December last - this prohibition was renewed about the 6th and 7th Instant and now the communication is kept up without any restriction -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very obedient Servant
William Macrae -

Vincennes
the 12th January 1779.

From Captain Macrae
Vincennes
12th January 1779

Bengalore, who left it the 5th Instant.
maugre, but it was reported that a
detachment would come that way
immediately, and advanced to Periapa
all is quiet on this frontier
Tinnevelly the 6th
13th Jan
1783 4 o'clock
P.M

the attack of the Mysore country by the English is a constant subject of conversation. — But the real scheme of operations intended by the Sultaun is not talked of — He has been again administering an oath of fidelity to his officers — and recurring to superstition for inspiring confidence, by declaring that he has had favorable omens of victory —

For the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, I forward the accompanying account of the Hostilities of Seringapatam. — How many more many years we shall be in possession of the comprehensive description of a country in regard to which we can be relied upon as free from mistakes —

I have dispatched two parties of Sarcarrahs to meet Colonel Roberts's Detachment. One was directed to go first to Goorky and then to Jaddapah; and the other direct to Jaddapah by Guerrumcondah. My motive in sending them was that it would be satisfactory to Colonel Roberts to be informed whether or not any considerable Body of the Sultaun's Troops might be in motion towards his North East Frontier.

4. The Inhabitants of the Sambalpoor country are alarmed by a report that the Bombay army is advancing to take possession of that Province; which at present is defenceless.

The Buckshee who came to recruit at Cuttack about a month ago, has already got about 400 men.

There are four small Guns in Sarrah

Josiah Wedgwood Esqre

Secretary to Government

Sir,

Thercarrah who left Seringapatam the 2nd of this month represents the principal body of the Force to be on the North bank of the River near the Furrypheet Hill and to the Eastward of it but their party of Cowards & Plunderers is on the South side of the River opposite N. East end of the Island. The Infantry the Cavalry & the Ordnance also the Island - the whole seem to be in readiness to march - although no particular time was spoken of - the Men encamping

It is the common belief that the Sultan will not take the field - and that he intends to trust a Army to Cassim Ali Cawn and Hyder Saheb. the Abbiss - natural son.

"I suppose may think this, and that the army, to gain
on the river soon after - On Saturday, on the afternoon
he saw a detachment of Cavalry, Infantry and Horse Artillery
move on the march, two miles from the river, on the
Bangalore road, and learnt that it was proceeding
Mangalore

Extract from a Letter:
On Sunday morning, the 4th instant, the Sultan
received the news of his troops on the Island, and
requested the French Colonel, and the Commandant
of Tippoo's troops, to get themselves ready for the field

NB
If a detachment has really marched for Mangalore
it must have entered Hyder the 9th and to morrow
or next day, will draw up this point

All is quiet on the Frontier

Jam[es] Hymers
Esq[r]

Bangalore the
12th March
1791

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Two Hurkaras came in this morning, and corroborate the circumstance of the descending of the Mysore army on the north bank of the Cavery, on the fourth and fifth of the month, but they know nothing respecting the detachments, as they have received their information the moment some of the Infantry and field pieces had crossed the river. These men left Maugree the seventh, at which time no detachment had reached the place, five of the guns which were formerly brought there, had been carried up the hill of Seringapatnam, and six condemned ones, taken down and sent to Seringapatnam – three guns are still lying below, and about five hundred coolies are employed in carrying grain and other provision stores from Maugree to the Fort

The Hurkara of yesterday still persists in maintaining the truth of his assertions, and further adds, that on Sunday morning the fourth instant Tippoo dispatched two Camel Hurkaras, who have arrived with letters from Kistna, under an escort

it has been brought, may be the means who
maintains the truth of his assertion, notwithstanding
I have put him on imprisonment, and threatened
him with a severe punishment unless he make
known false. At all events, I expect proper
to transmit the information, and if true, it will
no doubt soon be corroborated by other Evidence.

I have &c

Tuesday the
24th January
1799 4 o'clock
P.M.

Articles of Intelligence brought into the
Morattah Camp at Bungapalliam 87

On the 3.d of the month, the royal Standard
was erected near the Caugut hill, and a camp
formed of a thousand Khel Sabdar or Household
cavalry, seven thousand Silladar horse or irregular
horse and five thousand Infantry with thirty
three pieces of cannon

Suppoo's Sent did not perceive, but it was reported
that it would the next day and that the whole
of the mysore army with the field train would
immediately take up the same ground of
encampment

A Detachment of two thousand cavalry, three
thousand Infantry and twelve guns had marched
for Mangrole Near Savandroog

Mahomed Khan with two Thousand irregular
cavalry, has proceeded to Gurramcondah.

A Body of cavalry has likewise gone towards
the Gujjelhatty Pass.

NB

I give this intelligence with hesitation as

Intelligence from Captain
Marbot

To
John Pitt Esq.
Secretary to Government
Sir
I have the honor to transmit
a Copy of Intelligence for
his Lordships information
and have the honor to be
Your most obedient
& humble servant
Consecondy Jno Hyrmers
Ne 11 Jan. 60 R
1755

[illegible] the new line constructed on its along about Jack
to, been advanced into the River. On this account it is much
[illegible] to the violence of the current when the River is full, they
[illegible] soon in several places, when the foundation
[illegible] new ones. Six Breaches in it of from twenty five
to [illegible] yards wide. One of these Breaches, it is said, were
made by the Sultans particular order in consequence of his
having disapproved of the Masonry. The outer line has a
new [illegible] Rampart about Ten feet broad. The top of the
Parapet is about fifteen feet high from the bottom of the River
[illegible] This space was removed from its former situation, and
is now about fifteen feet into the River. It stood before in
the same line which is now taken up by the Counter
wall. The space between the three Gates and the Counter Wall
is about eighteen feet at the bottom, and forms a kind of
Pitt in the line of the Fort, although it naturally is a
part of the River separated from it by the three Gates
this Pitt during the season of the River being full has a
current of water in it which enters at the North West angle
of the Fort and falls into the River at the North East angle.
From the beginning of December to the [illegible] when the River is
low, there is not two feet water in any part of this Pitt. On
the side next to it from the East end of the three Gates is a very
easy and convenient [illegible] stairs. The three Gates is
[illegible] of those done without Counter

When it is considered that the outer line has several Branches in it, an inference may be made that the extent of Face is not so strong as it was in 1792; for so long as the inner Lines can be completed, it can scarcely be reckoned of importance for the defence of the place; because the middle line being covered from above the highest part of it, commands it; for which reason it would be scarcely practicable to defend the Inner line against an Enemy in possession of the Main part of the Outer Line.—

The Branches in the outer work may be built up in the course of January and February with Stone, if all the Workmen should be employed on that work alone. — it may perhaps be built up in a temporary manner with Earth or Clay.— But in either case the extent of Face must still in my opinion be the weakest part of the Work, and that which can be attacked with most advantage to the Besiegers.—

The Ditch on the outer Face is serviceable in many parts of it.

The Temporary Works which have been erected in 1792 for the defence of the East part of the Island have been generally allowed to fall into decay.—

William Mudge

the old South Gate was thrown down, and a new Gate
built after the European Style of Architecture since
the year of 1792 —
The whole of the South face has a good Glacis —

The West Face has two Lines. The outer is a
Wall with weak bastions. The Inner Line is more
formal + and has a Rampart tolerably high —
This face has neither Ditch, nor Glacis — The River
he washes the outer Wall, is supposed to be so rapid
as at all seasons as to render it not probable
side to the part of the Fort; nor can a communi-
cation of the River be easily established, because the
have orders to fire at any person who may
be able to cross the River in that quarter —
There is one Sally Port or Water Gate, on
this close to the South West Angle —
Since the Peace of 1792, some parts of this
wall appearing to be decaying, have been rebuilt
On the West side of the Fort near the Village
is a Hill, there is an eminence, which commands a
part of the Fort, and from whence persons
using the Streets within the Fort may be visible

The

The North Face has three lines: the Inner
was begun in 1796. Its foundation is laid with Stone and
Mortar; there is no part of it as yet as high as its
Rampart is designed to be — that is — high enough for
Guns to be fired over the Parapet of the Middle Line
in its present state it is in various degrees of forwardness
from the laying of the foundation — to Twelve Feet
above the ground. — Its proximity to the River has
occasioned a difficulty in digging for and laying a sound
base, the constant influx of water into the trench delay
ing & receiving it. — The new line is about fifteen yards
within the returning work of the middle line. — There is a
Ditch in front of the new line, about Twenty four Feet
broad and twelve feet deep; and in some parts of it
there is from three to four feet water.

The Middle line which in 1792 was the principal Work of
North Face has since that period undergone several alterations. The
Earth of it has been taken down and rebuilt from the foundation
with Larger Stones. — The Rampart has been raised about four
& half and thickened in some parts of it. — The Parapet
Parapet is now about eighteen feet from the ground. The Bastions
in general have not been altered. That which was called the
Sultan's Bastion — and formerly square — has been reduced to
the form of a circular figure. — There is a Ditch between the
Middle and outer Lines.

The outer line is entirely new Work. The inner Outer line ad-

vanced

Sketch of the State of the Forts
of Seringapatam in December

The East Face has three Lines of Stone and
with Brick Parapets. The outer Ramparts or main
Middle and inner Ramparts are broad. — There is a Dry
Moat Line: that of the middle Rampart has no Berm, the
two outer Lines have each a Berm of about 6 Feet
Feet in breadth. There is one Gateway with three
and the two outer Faces have Draw Bridges.
The Ditches are from twelve to fourteen Feet deep
twenty Feet broad.
There is an Advanced Work with four Guns advanced
under to the West of the Gate.
The whole of the East Face is covered by a Work

The South Face has two Lines of Curtain
and Materials similar to the two outer Faces of the East
Face a Draw Bridge & Gateway. The outer Rampart
over a Draw Bridge & Gateway. A Ramp
of Cocoanut Tree is used for the Parapet also
Other Revetments are of Bags. Earth &c. and of
Stone. There are only Ditches on this Face
The South Gateway Gate, from the South East
and from the East to the South West angle there
an Epaulement, which is also Dry —

It is rumoured the whole of the Sultaun's Army will be encamped — near Jeerjeli, on their way further, not many of the horsemen returned to Seringapatam, — their leave of leave being expired. — It is said the Sultaun's Army will be formed into three divisions. — The main body under himself, — the second under the orders of Sultan Hyder & Seid Sahib, — and the third under Meer Kummur-ud-Deen Khan.

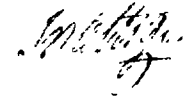
Orders have been sent &c.

The commandant at Bednore [illegible] Ummul (or Tathall) at seven [illegible] 115.
when it was formerly established. —
Tallacherry Bombay Navy is at Anjengo
[illegible] keeping the Commodore in his
quarters. — Vizagapatam &c.

I am, Dear Sir, Your most obed.t Serv.t

Bombay
6.th Jan.y 1779.

W.m Aitchison



Secret Department

To Frank Wolfe Esqr
Secretary to the Government

Sir I have the honour to
acquaint you that my Camel and
other servants who conveyed to me
the Rentals which I yesterday de-
livered to you and who left Nuna
Patam on the morning of the 4th
instant) informed me they heard it
reported that the Sultaun's Family
was to be fetched on that day from
Seringa Pratam to Bangalore.

The Sillahdars having been
mustered and paid had obtained per-
mission to return to their respective
villages to arrange and settle their
little concerns, but were ordered
to return in the course of twenty days
and to rendezvous at Pratam, when

from Bangalore with intelligence of your movement
to Attoor, with letters from Tippoo Sultaun
dated at Manantore, and advised the Sirdar
in their way to Seringapatam, in which they
Indian dispatched to meet them, two Cowles and
an escort of three hundred cavalry, four hundred
infantry with four hundred Bullocks to bring
their baggage.

Sir

I have received this days report and
observe, that if it should reach Madras, the
Governor may know where it originates, and
what degree of credit it deserves

I am Sir
Your most
Obed.t Hum.e Serv.t
A. M.

Articles of Intelligence from Constantinople
March of a recent date

Survey this Ottoman Summer our galleys cannot
have moved to defend Crete, without a short Reliance
of the Capudan, for the Commandery of Scio.

It is said, that the Sultan is preparing a fleet
of nearly a hundred sail of Gallies, which
when ready is to be sent across the Black Sea to attack
Caffa Kherson, Taganrock, out of Sea of Azoph
where the Turks of the Ukraine carry on a Trade
in the Country of Circassia &c.

A small detachment of Infantry has marched
from Constantinople for Mangalore

The Sultan has posted Messengers, & used the
most to recover the earliest confirmation of the
Treaty of the Danish Isles

Appeal Counsel, with Heads of Demands
& Answers to replies &c. thereunto

A Report from Paris of a Battle, that a French
Army had landed in Spain &c.

A Report of the Evacuation
of Cornel Hessen, Assault of Cassel &c.

from

Intelligence

Copy to Bengal. Bombay
Hyderabad. Poona &
Malabar Commissioner

To Josiah Wedgwood Esq
Secretary to Government

Sir
I have the honor to transmit
you a paper of Intelligence
for his Lordships information
and have the honor to be
Your most obedient
humble Servt

Tobago 5th Jan 1795

John H. Lyman
Esqr

two miles from Tadjé Corps.

A Sister of the Nabob Hummeed ul deen Cawn, is dead. A Polygar of the Coimbatore country, named Sumbey gouw. is accused, with three thousand matchlock men, and sixteen camels, loaden with different articles

Sometime ago, the Sultan sent a Backshee and a frenchman to the Mauritius. and they have now returned, with letters and accompanied by a few Coffres, and give out that a french squadron will shortly arrive at Mangalore.

N. B.

Nothing particular in the foundries

Compared the
2d of Jan: 3. O. M.
1793

Jam. H. Lyman
Capt

From Captain Symmonds
8th January 1799

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Articles of Intelligence from Seringapatnam
of the 2d of January 1799

The Khan Sahib's thousand cavalry and all the
Infantry and Guns were at the different Barracks and Stations
on the Island.

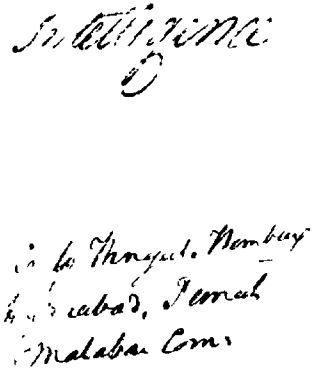
The parapet of the Fort is completing with all possible
expedition.

A large body of Sebundee Horse, of irregular number
is on the north bank of the river and said to be under
the orders of the Sahib Zyd Sahib, the Sultana's Jaffrenier,
at last this flag is flying and there are about forty
tents in the encampment.

Several Malabar Guns, are lying on that side
of the river, and which have been brought from
the distant hill forts, for the purpose of making
cannon-shot.

The Corps commonly called Zadjis is encamped on
the south bank of the river, near the village of
Chundagal, and consists of about a thousand men
of various casts.

The French detachment of three officers, fifty
Europeans and sixty Topasses, is encamped near



To Josiah Wedgwood Esqr
Secretary to Government

Sir

I have the honour to
transmit you a Copy of
Instructions for the conformity
of the Right Honorable the
Governor and have the honour
to be Your most obliged
Humble Sr
Sir Geo. Shuckburgh Evelyn
Bart

Bengrondy
the 17 Jan
1755

a thousand [illegible] with grain.
[illegible] of the Janizaries

a Mussulman and a Christian with a guard
of eight Janizaries have brought money
from Egypt to the amount of [illegible]
hundred purses to furnish five thousand soldiers
for the service of the Sultan.
a Jew named [illegible] has been ordered to the
number of [illegible] for three thousand

[illegible]

From Lighthouse Island
6 January 1799

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Copy to Bengal
Bombay
Hyderabad
Carnatic
& Malabar &c

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Articles

of

Confederation.

City of Bengal - Bombay

Hyderabad - Poona &

Madras Commissions

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To
Josiah Webbe Esqr
Secretary to Government
Fort

I have the honor to transmit
a Copy of Intelligence for
his Lordship's information
and have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
John H. Symons
Capt.

Bangalore
the 4th of
January
1799

News of Bangalore

Three of the guns which were at the village of Mallyal-
have been removed up to the Hill fort of Nundy by
a Sepoy, has received letter from his friends at
Seringapatnam, telling him to be on his guard, for
that shortly, the Noble Marquis Cornwallis will
advance with a body of troops

Fall of the Granite

A Pallankeen and two hundred matchlocks were sent
at Sunderah to garrison the place

On the 17th Instant, the armament under Lord Cor-
nwallis were famously passed through this Town to go
to those relations at Seringapatnam

I remain Dear Sir
Your most
Obed. Hble Servt
John Hyman

3rd of January
1791

Weekly Intelligence from Headquarters
General Order

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Two thousand sheep - one thousand muttock
Ewes - twelve hundred loaves with Bread Vegetables
Peas rice and plumbs - seven camels with rum
and seven seven thousand bullocks with green wood
&c, went from the Grand Country in the morning
&c &c.

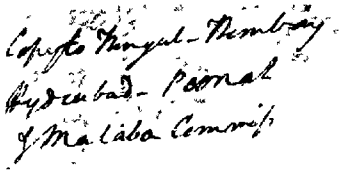
Lieutenant Marshall Lawyer who is guilty of
selling Government Camels &c in the Parade &
order'd to be Hanged

Seven hundred Soldiers & one of Sheep each &
one Camel to regale themselves with Plum Pudding
for Dinner today and to wish their Majesties
&c &c &c Health

It is reported that the Nation has undermined
the Foundation and Powder in the
mines

A Body of Men, Women & Children Cavalry which
lay at the Village of Baggy Pelts on the Banks of
the Great River, were this day put to

Fire



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To Josiah Wedgwood Esqr
Secretary to Government
Fort

I have the honor to transmit
you a Paper of Intelligence
for his Lordships information
and have the honor to be
your most obedient
& most humble Servant
Wm Paul Jnr Lieutenant
1799 Corps

Equivalent unit of a man was killed, his wife and family should be maintained by the Sultan.
On the 6th the royal standard was brought as far as the Land Gate Gardens, in order to be carried over the Caugur hill, but it was suddenly turned back into the fort.
- The months pay has been issued to the Sultan's Sepoys & regular cavalry, and two months to the Bazar Horse.

Bazar News.

A squadron of French ships with troops &c. retired to Anjengo at Mangalore.
The Mahrattas have joined the English against the Sultan.
The Sultan's Sepoys & irregular cavalry are run to Mysore and lay waste the English Country, and the Sultan will make no claim for a share of the plunder. — State of the Garrison
Want of water on the Sands between the Pagoda & Red Hill Seringapatnam
No Fire Hackeries on the 16th at three o'clock
- A parcel several sums of money & many under [illegible]

of Seringapatam, on the road to Bangalore. They were afraid to approach the nearest, they should be noticed, but from a distant view, they appeared to be eight in num. It was said, they were destined for the use of the fort of Seringapatam and most probable are the same, which are mentioned by me in number the 20th and by accounts received yesterday from Secundroor, the guns are now at the village of Maugrow in its vicinity

Nothing particular in the garrison

John H. Symmons
Capt

Completed the
31st of January
1790: 2 o'clock P.M.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Article of Intelligence from Seringapatam
of the 25th of November 1799

Occurrences of the Siege

since what Gabeta at 8 oclock on Saturday and all the
Bar & Depots, were on the Island the former on the
east side, and the latter on the opposite banck
the field pieces were under shade
a Large body of Cavalry Infantry & Irregular Cavalry
laying on the North banck of the river, a
from the Cauvery Bell to the Lokhanna rock
the Bazars & Standing Cavalry are near the Ford
of Chundgal on the South banck of the Cauvery
the French detachment, and the Corps Cavalry
called Tallys are encamped on the opposite side
of Tulla to the south of the Cauvery.

Occurrences.

A Great number of people are employed on the
the Lal Baug garden, & enclosing with a wall
on the 23 Instant the Sultan came to the Lal
Baug garden, and after a distribution of Betle &
Betel the four chief Ministers retired, and
a Body [illegible]

the Creek - I was under stood they were
French -

The man [illegible] an Inhabitant of the Illinois
says they have been encamped on the south
side of the Ouiscony - a little to the West-
ward of the former French He discovers
by [illegible] they occupy to the about [illegible]
a Mile in length

He was charged with a message from
a Brittish at Vincennes to a Mr Cartwright
in Tellin recommending to the latter to
remove his family to a place [illegible]
as there was very appearance of a
war breaking out - and that it was
believed the Horse would get under
to march on Friday the 1st of January

having great confidence in the weather
Intelligence I had from Trincomalee dated the
18th Instant. mig with in that of the Marra-
tah who reported his having left Rangeloe
about the close of last month. I am
inclined to suppose that there is some
mistake in the above mentioned report-
and that the party alluded to may
possibly be the Crews of some Vessels
captured by French Ships — or the
the Man who brings the report may have
been led into the mistake by seeing
Detachments of the former French party.
In all other respects this man
describes the situation of the troops at
Trincomalee to be the same as was stated
by

Inv. Capitaux de Hollande
31 Decembre 1770
Hôtel Soldatique

Lieut Colonel Sparkman

Mark Wilks Esquire

Secretary to Government

A person arrived here today, who reports that he left Seringapatam on the 24 Instant. — He is not employed as a Harcarrah which may be considered as a guarantee for not giving any intentional false report.

He asserts that a Body of Europeans and Sepoys arrived from the Northward at Seringapatam about the 14 Instant — That there amounted to several Thousand of them — and that one-quarter of the whole were Europeans. — They had no Arms — and did not seem to be regularly clothed. — It was rumoured that only one escaped in a sick palanquin with

the

Secret Major Davidson
30 December 1782

Copy to Bengal
" Bombay
" Hyderabad
" Poonah
" Madras

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dead.

Please to forward to the

Rev.d Mr Thurnam Rect.r

Lumley Savage

Edwards

Pepys Bois

30 Dec.r 1758

Copy to Bengal Secretary
Hyderabad Commission
Madras Commission

Secret Department

To Fried Webbe Esqr
Secretary to the Government

Sir, I have the honour to acquaint you that two Army people came in this morning from Seringapatam on the 25th Inst. They report to me nothing new. They mention the assembling of the Sebundy (including the Peyd) Horse near the Caryghaut, and that the whole are receiving their arrears of pay -

Two Durcanahs had returned to Seringapatam from the Meer Meeran deputed to Coonah, with intimation that he (the Meer Meeran) had not proceeded beyond the Frontiers -

Dowlut Bag the Publick Servant of Savanoor is referred to the Head

Two hours of Infantry are still
in their cantonments on this
Island - This rumour that
Tippoo Sultaun intends to proceed
shortly to Bangalore, and that
orders are already given for the
movement of the Seringapatam Tippoo
Sultaun Camp equipage &c towards
that quarter.

The inhabitants about
Bangalore, before the approach was
alarmed, and are busily employed
in hiding such and concealing their
Corn grain -

I have the honour to be,
Sir, Your most Obed.t
Humble Servant
C Boucher

Bangalore
Dec.r 28 1790

Secret Department

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To Josiah Wedgwood Esqr.
Secretary to the Treasury

Sir

I have the honour
to acquaint you that two Brigs
have come in this morning from
Corunna which sailed from thence
the 21st Inst. They report to me that
the different parties of the Soldiers
there which have been coming in
since the 1st Inst. from their outposts
of Corunna are now collected & their
number is about 7000 men fit
for service. — The several parties
of them attacked by the French
under Buonaparte have been driven
from the Heights on the Northern side of the River
near Betanzos and Neda. —
The Commissioners and Hon.

ve at the fort of Kotaza

The opulent inhabitants of all ranks and
castes, have sent their valuable effects to the
castles of the different Rajahs

Four Hindoos and fifty sepoys arrived
at the village of Madavaly

Four miles Westward, passed the village of
Pudisalah on their way from the country to
Chungchalamam, and reported that the English
army was assembling on the ground of Cottaze

A Buckshee came to the small fort of Ramapa
that he must from Company, to muster and draw
some pay, to a new body of two hundred and fifty
peonds. Sirs

The Sands on the Malabar country at present,
retain three or four months water for the ordinary
consumption

Benjamin reckoning one and twenty miles to
Chungchalamam

Nothing else in particular in the journal,
except a report to day, of a Buckshee and a
very small body of peons, having arrived at Tellicherry
from Chungchalamam

Jan. 4th Thursday

Encamped the 23d of December last

Hillabad after prices at which the Horses have been valued; and Fifty Horses were given to them gratis. —

Meer Nasser Ally, who went to Chanyamberi has purchased a Thousand Horses at that place — and 500 Horse Keepers have been sent thither to bring them to Seringapatam. —

"There are Provisions enough in the Fort, to serve the Army twelve months. —

There are twenty Magazines of Powder — each is said to contain 2000 Candies of Powder. —

Succaram Bapoo came here as a Vakeel from Dowlat Row Scindiah — and demanded seven Lacks of Rupees annually for the last five years as arrears of Chout. —

The Nation made him a satisfactory reply — and gave him a Dismissal. The Vakeel is to depart on the Course of two Days.

"Three Battalions of Infantry are ordered to encamp immediately — viz. the Elephant Battalion — the Sultaun Battalion — and the Hyderie Battalion."

Official Form for the Irregular Cavalry — whose Horses are privately property — and whose pay is regulated according to — [illegible] from which may be formed an Estimate what the Corps may

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Josiah Wedgwood Esqr
Secretary to Government

Sir

I have the honor to transmit
you a paper of intelligence
for his Lordships information
and have the honor to be

Sir
your most obedient
humble servant
John Hayman
Capt

Tongue Roads
the 29th of
December
1794

No
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from the Gangetic Provinces would be distributing among them
the Harcarrah saw on his route -

Morning

Another Harcarrah who was sent yesterday to Seringapatam
reporting the state of Savandroog - Chunky Durga
and Durmakully returned yesterday - and reports
that three Guns arrived safely from Seringapatam at
Savandroog - that Durmakully is not yet
invested - that he saw no troops moving on the route
he came - and that the crops of Every grain
especially of Raggee are singularly abundant
this season in the Mysore Country.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Humble Servant
William Stracheys

Bangalore
Decr 28th 1791

P.S. The evil[illegible] reason for Drafting the Stable Horses
of the Silladar must have been that the Public would be better
taken care of when becoming private property - than remaining
half Starved as Government Horses - and such of the Cavalry
as were in very
bad order -

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To
Josiah Webbe Esquire
Secretary to Government

Sir

Abarcarrah brought a note last night from an Agent at Seringapatam — dated the 17th Inst.
Abarcarrah left Seringapatam on the Day following — and returned by Chinapatam Gangadar and Bangalore —

Translation the above written in Kanarese

The Sultaun has given Peshcush to Hyder Ali Khan and a Sunnud Khurrah employing that Prince with the property of the Factors — with the Keys of Elephants, Naggers, Colours and Public Treasure which shall be considered as Cruelty Gold & other articles — as Horses — Camels Copper — Gold — Silver — Sandal & the Manufacture of Pagodas in China — which be the property of the Factors

The Sultaun has ordered the Shahs Troops to Celebrated Durbar on the Jeyadar Days

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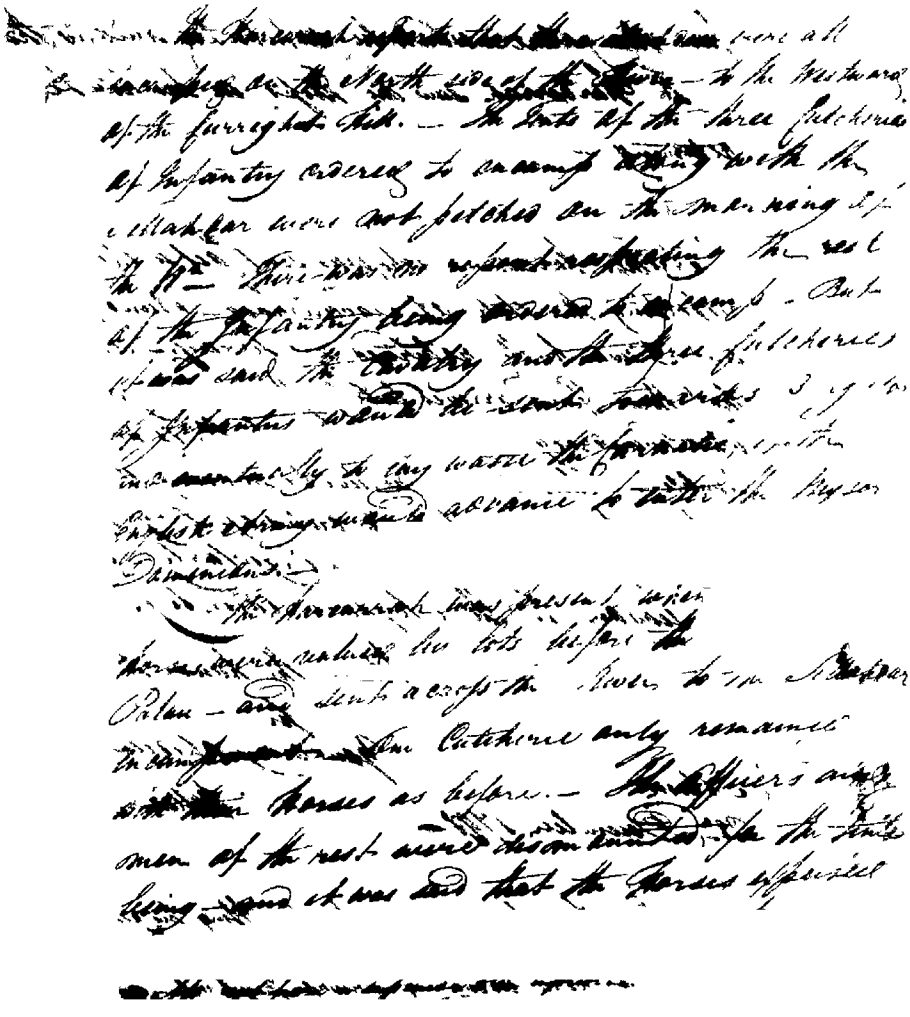
V Malabar coast
16 January 99



Force will consist, between 7 & 8 thousand
fighting men —

All the Mysore cavalry will form one corps
on the 22nd of January and advance immediately.

Supplies, much in Depot and do not appear in public.

Many have not been used to the Infantry
the English on the Board of Guidance of the
Mysore country.

In the event of hostilities the Mysore
army is to march on three columns

News from Bangalore
A small detachment of Cavalry and Infantry
passed that place on the 10th from Goorumkonda
on its way to Seringapatam
viz

All is quiet on the frontier

Tuesday the 22nd of January 1799 2 P.M.

Tippoo Sultaun's Camp

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1793

Intelligence from Boulogne of the arrival of the 93d Regiment

Troops on the Island

Most of the Blues Isabelle or household cavalry & a body of Infantry

Troops on the south bank of the River

Labey corps, and the French detachment at the village of Chrondrade on Sambre

Troops on the North bank of the River

a large body of Infantry, with field pieces encamped near the Bois Augustin

Stations of Cavalry within a short distance of one body, near the Hanover Hills to the north west — another on the vicinity of Chrumaynes more to the east — a third at Cerisy Neglemanys farm and the capital to the North —

Reports

Hostilities will not commence, until the arrival of the French

The French ambassador pledges himself & Britannia themselves stamped on the Medal —

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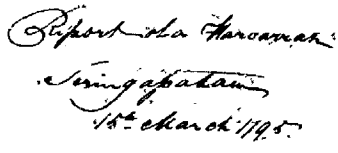

Sand Department
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Mr Lewis

I have the honor to forward
the accompanying return of Marches L.
who returned last week from Seringapatam - which
I believe to be in general tolerably correct -

Supposing intercourse with the interior
of Travancore appears unadvisable - His
detachment - which is said to be provided with
upwards of a thousand Bullocks may have
met with opposition within his own bounds
- Hannah being sometimes applied improperly to
the Malabar Districts bordering on the
Western Ghauts.

From his having detached two Battalions
towards the Malabar Coast and one to

the

two Pushtoons were lately sent to Tadasheer Pt
and one to the Coimbatore Country.

The Mysore Gateway is not yet finished
and it will require many years to complete
the fortification of the North Face upon
the plan which he has adopted

William Kirkpatrick

Calcutta
24th March 1795

+ A Fort below the Museum Pass —

(Ships to Bengal -
to - Mysheda) - Mr. March 1795
to - Poona -

Robert de Narvaez to Intendant Narcarrak
who left Jemmabattam the 15th of March 1795.

That some time before this arrival
at Jemmabattam on the 8th of March two Indians
Saka Jemmans and Sachchams with six Cains had been
dent towards the bounds of the Korruah country—and
since their arrival at that place a skir.
had ensued between the inhabitants of the Korruah country
and Tibbos troops—in which the latter
It was not supposed Tippo's people had orders to penetrate
into that country.

This reports at Seringapatam that Tippo
intends to take the field— For what purpose is not
spoken of But this appears to be without foundation
as there seem to be no particular preparation
to indicate such intention.

He is now celebrating the marriage of the
Most Son, who was a Hostage

Envo

P.S.

Towards the Barrack Court

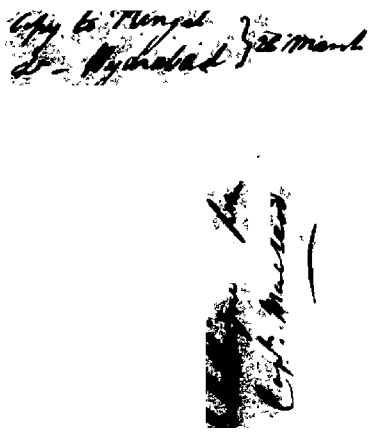
The Marratta Vakeels having left Seringapatam about the 20th of February as confirmed by the accounts from Harcarrah.

Officers to ascertain as to the truth of this report relative to the Harcarrahman & the person who makes it has not before been employed as a Harcarrah—and he adverts to the Army the Encampment marching towards the South West from Seringapatam. Such an event has however no appearance of improbability.

I have the honor to be
with the greatest respect
Your Lordship's most obedient
faithful servant
William Kirkpatrick

Camp 12th March 1795

To
The Right Honble
Lord Hobart



Secret Department
1789 Oct

My Lord

An Inhabitant a Brannia of this District who was sent for on Intelligence to Seringapatam was returned and reports that he left Seringapatam on the 1st of March that on the 21st of February accounts had arrived that a Skirmish had taken place near Goondaloo about the bounds of the Norrack Country between some of Tippoo's guards and those of the Norrack Rajah which were posted at the Boundary and that in consequence of this which it was thought was occasioned by a quarrel between some of Tippoos Binjarees and Inhabitants of Norrack a Party of 2000 Infantry eight Guns and 2000 Horse marched out from the Islands on the 24th of February

Towards

Graig Ibbetson

Secret Department

My Lord

A Harcarrah has returned from Cungapatam, which he reports having left on the 27th of February. He mentions that the Maratta Vakeels were dismissed by Tippo about the 20th of February, having previously received presents of three Elephants &c and that they departed Northwards by the route of Melcote.

No movement of any part of Tippo's army has lately taken place; nor is there any appearance or rumour of such an event.

I have the honor to be
My Lord
with the greatest respect
Your Lordship's very faithful
and obedient Servant
William Macleod

The Right Honble
Lord Hobart
&c &c &c

Seringapatam 5th March
1796.

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[illegible] May and June next.

[illegible] arrived from [illegible]
Commander-in-Chief [illegible] as [illegible] the 74.
to relieve [illegible].

[illegible] is no appearance nor any report of
Tippoo taking the Field.

A considerable quantity of Jewels have been
presented by the Nawaub Vakeel to Lapse on
[illegible] his Marriage.

The Vakeel from the Peishwa has been to Poly
Coringapatam.

William Meadows

Cum. District
20th February 1779

Report of Subrah a Harcarrah who left Seringapatam the 13th February 1795

Two Mharratta Vakeels are still at Seringapatam. Their tents are pitched upon the Island, and their Guard of about eighty Horse, is on the North side of the River near the Serrugut Gate

It is reported that they have demanded some arrears of Chout of Sira for Gooty, which they have prest him either to discharge, or that he would take the Peth along with them: and that he has declined to promise a compliance with either demand

Ephoo about 20 Sepoys & Executioners of Nabob was marched about the middle of June to the Daughter of Chinda Saheb, a Native of Circar who has been carried to the Eastward during the War of 1781 The two Sons are to be kept as Hostages, it is said are to be married in the course

I intend on the Citizens to assist them with
2000 Horse provided Fitzo will agree to join in
a confederacy to invade the Portugese. There seems
however no reason to believe that Fitzo will pay
any attention to their overtures —

The Marratta Vakeels have given Fitzo presents
to a considerable amount on the occasion of his
sons Wedding

William Addison Esq

Jean. Pitois

21st February 1796

Oxford
Christopher Tower
24th January 1992

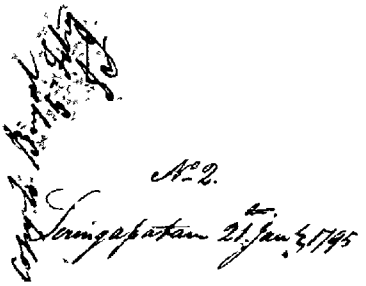
Report of Venkat Ram a Harcarrah who (on board his Raimo) left Seringapatam on the 4th February 1796.

The Mharratta Vakeels are at Seringapatam. the party of Mharratta Horse which has been represented above as advanced into Tippoo's country are said to have halted near the Northern frontier.

The Cossaim's Vakeel has returned from Seringapatam

It is reported that the differences which have arisen between the Mharratta Chiefs have been adjusted.

Venkat Ram said the Mharratta Vakeels are pressing Tippoo to let the Hostages with them — and that Tippoo



Secret Department
Salem District 31st Jan.y 1795

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Report of Venkat Rawna Acharie, a Native of Salem, who was sent to Seringapatam, which he says he left on the 24th January 1795.

That a Party of Maratta Horse said to consist of 4000 arrived at Toonoor (or the Montee Tah) on the 22nd or 23d. That he did not see their camp, but does not doubt the circumstance — and that three Maratta Officers who came from that party were encamped near the Salt-Baugh — Their names are Subajee, Ragaba Dasa and Vendajee.

The arrival of this party has made the inhabitants of Coyore apprehensive that Tippo intends shortly to take the field.

The Carcarrah understood that a dispatch had been sent to the Madras Government about the 21st or 22d.

William Madoo

+ Ten Miles North from Seringapatam
# A Garden on the Island of Seringapatam

man a son or relation of the late Hurry Punt ... had arrived at that place; and that ... were to the Commildar in reply, to supply them with every necessary and treat them as friends

Vakeels has arrived from the Sultaun at Seringapatam on the 17th and Vakeels from them arrived the 19th; neither of whom has been dismissed on the 21st the day of the Harcarrahs departure from Seringapatam

The Harcarrahs have some report of a skirmish having taken place between English and Mahratta troops northward from ... 15th. seems to be an allusion not to be reconciled to probabilities.

The North face of Seringapatam wall ... been thrown down in several places to be rebuilt

the

The Fortifications are not in so good a state of defence as they had been in 1792.

William Clark Coy

14 Miles West from Selum
25th January 1795.

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Report of Venkitty Ram a Marcarrah who left Seringapatam on the 21st of January 1795

Coimbatoor country arrived at Seringapatam on the 14th of January

A party of 1000 Horse which had been stationed in the vicinity of Cavandaroog arrives at Seringapatam on the same day & no further arrangements taken to be carried forward to recall the detachment from Cavandaroog in consequence of this

On the 15th of January there was a report that an express was received from the Sumbah of Carrore Chingeam which is distant 70 Miles North from Seringapatam announcing that a Party of 4000 Maratta Horse

under

Secret Department

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Report of Shamiah an Inhabitant of the Cauverypooram District who left Serengapatam on the 16th Instant

Tippoo's Army still continues assembling at Seringapatam, but no particular preparations seem to be making to take the field. Tippoo's Sumbarees which in general consisted of a Bullock laden with 12.000 fanterai Pagodas are reduced to 5 or 6.000 each.

Orders have been sent to Sumbarees below the Ghauts to provide each 150 Candies (300 Bullock loads) of different sorts of grain but not to send it to Serengapatam until further directions should be given

William Chase

14 Miles West from Salem
28th January 1790

likely to take place

Tho' one of Seringapatam that ~~[illegible]~~ troops which has belonged to the late Scindia & Holkar and the Mharratta

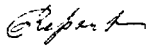
~~[illegible]~~ Palace at Bangalore is undergoing some repairs, & ornaments and the [illegible] of that work is continued.

William Marlow

Aide de camp

Selum 23d January

1795



Report of a Messenger a Marcarrah, who left Seringapatam on the 14th January 1795

Tippoo Sultaun continues at times on the Island at Seringapatam. There seems to be no further appearance or report of his Marching

Bahar Saheb the son of Buddel Ul Zumma Khan has his tents pitched on the North side of the Lawerie with a Guard of a few Horse. It is thought that a Detachment of Cavalry is to be formed under him to be sent towards Carnacotta.

Several parties of Mysores are coming to Seringapatam from the different Stations

[illegible] Tippoo Sultaun on a Marriage with his Daughter is still under Action of [illegible]

[illegible]

Assam on the event of a rupture taking place between these two States

There was a report ~~prevailed~~ yesterday to be without foundation that a Body of Cathara Ha Horse having approached the station of the Madras Battalions driving with the Assam the latter has fallen back to occupy a more favorable position

The Officer commanding the Force called Lally's has been recruiting his Cavalry. He is encamped at the Cariahut Hill - and has been furnished with Two Field Guns the only Cannon which ~~were~~ from the Arsenal on the 23 last Month.

It is supposed that Lieut. Pigot ~~will~~ return to the Mountains to join the Field - but in what direction, or with what views does seem to be conjectured.

C. Bettes
1st December 1824

William Ashburner

On the North side of the Cheroone opposite the East en

Sketch of
Tippoo's Military Force.
in October 1794.

Lieut. Hall

Fait Department

Report of Rengiah, a Brinjarry who left Seringapatam on the 23d November 1794.

Detachment of Infantry and Pindarries which had been stationed in the Manglore Province have joined the Army at Seringapatam and it is said that orders have been sent to Basel Saun who is stationed in the Combatore Country to join the Army with his Cushoon and the 200 Horse which he commands

Tippoo Sultan's Fleet was ready in the Port for service, and marked for the particular ships to which they were intended to be attached

A Vakeel of Marratta Vakeel called Chitta Chan, had been lately at Seringapatam and returned Northward a little while before Dark The business of this Embassy is not publicly known, but it is thought to have been to make overtures with Tippoo there against the

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The Sudder Cutcherie for the
Office for receiving Reports, Returns and
Accounts of Garrisons and Fortifications,

Principal ——— Goolam ee Saheb
Deputy ——— Mohsum Saun

The Cutcheries of the Infantry and Cavalry, as
aforesaid detailed are each seperate Offices, and subject
to the controul of the Cutcherie of the Sudder Cheran.

William Chalmers

Dum
26th November 1794

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From the number of Recruits which continue to be sent to Seringapatam it would seem that he intends to augment his present strength.

Civil Officers

Prime Minister ... Meer Saudik

Accountant of the Treasury – Purnea

Asst. or Mahal's Cutcheree or the Revenue Office

President – Meer Saudik

Deputy – Ahmed Jeffry Cawn

8 Secretaries or Accountants in different languages

- Meer Ismael – Persian
- Yoolam Mahomed – Do
- Shinavas Row – Marhatta
- Keisoo Row – Do
- Lalla – Persian
- ..... Canarie
- ..... Do
- Mahomed Jaffer – Persian

The business of the assist. Cutcheree is to receive the Revenue and regulate the different branches of that Department, the accounts of which are kept in three different languages

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The Fatcherie of Peshkeer Meeran

President — Bauder-ul-Zummaz-aun

Members — Mehomed Reza
Purnea
Meer Nasser Ally

Secretaries & Accountants — Shivadas Row — Maratta
Baggawandt Row — Do
_____ — Persian
_____ — Canarie

The business of this Fatcherie is to controul and keep Registers of every disbursement made at Head Quarters — & to indent for Cash as can be complied with except thro' its means.

The Zeebo Putteree or the Office for paying and regulating State Servants

President — Meer Saudik

Members — Buzir-ul-Zummaz-aun
Yoolamee Saheb

State Servants

Saita, or Mace Bearers — 100

Peikemen, with silver Hoops on their Pikes which are covered with Red Cloth — 300

Chaus, a new name given the bearers of Silver Sticks, which are laid aside for Battle axes — 30

Do &c

Established in December 1793, at which time its President and Members were reg.ed with the title of Viziers.

Of the Twenty three Marching Battalions, three are
detached with

From the 2nd Cutcherie at Bisenore

Mahomed Yacoob's ——— 600

From the 1st Cutcherie at Gummalgurroo &
Her Boys ——— ——— 700

In the Coimbatore country
at Vacancy &c. &c

Mahomed Fazils — 2000
3,300

In small Detachments and at Mull from
20 Battoons at an average of 80 Men each } 1600

Supposed strength of effective } 4,900
unfit for duty and cantoned at Seringa } 8,900
patam in October 1794 ..

The Regular Infantry are armed like
European Troops with Firelocks and Bayonets
made in his own Country by the assistance of
French Artificers, who have taught the
Mysoreans many of the European Mechanical
arts. His Field Guns which are almost all cast
in his own country after French Models are much
better calculated for a distant Cannonade than
the English Guns; a circumstance that has
A strong Fort between the Western Ghauts and Mangalore. Formerly

uniformly given his arms an advantage in all cannonades –

The discipline of his Infantry, as to the Exercise and manoeuvres is in imitation of that of the English – and has been gradually been brought about by Deserters from the Service of the Nabob of the Carnatic, or Prisoners of the Company's Troops who may have been withheld from the Commencement of the war which broke out in 1780. – The Words of Command are given in the Persian language.

The Dress of the Infantry is a jacket of cotton, of a mixed purple colour with spots in imitation of those of a Tyger – Red or Yellow Turband and short loose white Trowsers. –

The Regular Cavalry are armed with Carbines and Swords – but are not restricted to any particular Dress. –

The Corps called Lally's is reduced to the number of about Twenty Europeans and near Two Hundred Topasses or Native Christians Mons.r Ysbec who succeeded Lally is said to have lately died at Seringapatam.

Besides the foregoing supposed amounts of supposed Revenue Syd Saheb has as a Tahseem the Districts of Ruchotty Deenapar and Cregootta raised at about Canteraie Pagodas 60.000 making the whole amount of his Revenue about forty Lacks of Canteraie Pagodas or Star Pagodas Thirty five Lacks. The sum is supposed to be exclusive the various charges of Collection and the expence of supporting Irregular infantry exclusive of the 12000 termed Provincial or Garrison Troops. If his Revenue was managed with Equitable policy and integrity it cannot be doubted but his present territories are capable of yielding a clear Revenue of Fifty Lacks of Canteraie Pagodas — but as that is not to be expected, it may be reasonably inferred that his military force can not undergo a considerable and permanent augmentation without encroaching on his Treasury which, it is supposed, cannot be very rich after the immense sum which was paid to the Confederates after the Peace of Seringapatam and almost entirely it is believed, had been taken out of the treasury (torn up during the Fathers Government.

Syd Saheb

Tippoo Sahib is obliged to maintain 5000 and four Cushoons of about 700 each upon his Jaghire which with a addition of Draft from the Provinces would enable Tippo to take the Field with Thirty Thousand Infantry, and as his troops are beyond comparison superiour to those of the Circars or Mahrattas, it may be concluded that he can defeat the greatest force, that either of these Powers could bring against him, notwithstanding his present strength, is not more than three fifths in Infantry and one fifth of his Cavalry of his strength at the time he attacked the Rajah of Travancore in January 1790.

His Regulars are entirely composed of Mahomedans. He discharged about 3000 Hindoos in January and February last with a view of having no other cast except Mussulmans in his Army a measure which is reprobated by his Officers as being extremely impolitic, even tho' there should be no other objection against it, but the difficulty of getting a sufficient number of that cast to fill up the casualties in his Army.

[illegible] Establishment of a Fushoon [illegible]

ockets men viz:

	Monthly pay in Canteraï Pags
1 Cundar Captain	16
2 Enchek Subalterns @ 5	10
9 Jemadars & Naïk Corp. @ 4	36
100 Privates @ 3.5	350
4 Camels for carrying Rockets @ 6. each	24
Monthly	436
The complement of Fushoon Annually	3.924
	90.252.

Officers & Men 172

As the Infantry Corps are at an average only about half complete, it may be inferred the Rocket Corps and as there is a proportion of Artillery to the Rest of 60 Cannon and 24 Rockets for particular Corps, it may be concluded that the whole establishment of Artillery is equal to the complement of Twenty three Fushoons, the strength of which as already estimated is exclusive of Artillery and Rocketmen

The Infantry and Staff of a complete Fushoon of 2074 Officers and men, by the foregoing Statement will cost in about 40 Days Canteraï Pagodas 8.684. 6 fan. and at the same rate 23.800 Men will cost Pags 99.643.

But as by far the greatest proportion of the Efficiency is in Privates it may be justly inferr'd that

that that amount is short of the actual disbursemes
by at least 8.000 pa Extras Pay, and that the Pay
of Staff Officers and Men is Pay 103,643 Monthly
or originally, at three Months Contract Pay: 923,787.

The Annual Expence of 6450 Regular Horse } 698,834

Do ——— of 7500 Silladars Horse } 661,800

Do ——— of 360 Irregr Horse 45,360

Do Total of 14310 Horse 1405,694.

Do ——— of 208 Artillery &c Lascars } 55,579.5

Do ——— of 1288 Pioneers 44,126.

Total expence of the above Infantry Cavalry & Artillery &c 2443 0,186.5 100,705.5

(Provincial Troops or such as may
be attached to Particular Forts or Districts
exclusive of the foregoing which are termed
the Troops of the Army of the Presidency

in Garrison of Seringapatam 2000

Badenore Province 2000

Chittledroog 800

Jumalgurroo 1000

&c &c Sundry Forts 6200

12,000

Provincial Troops

The Pay of may be estimated at three quarters of
that of an equal number of the Field Infantry viz } 3,3 9,120.

Expence for Artificers and making up Stores 50,000

Supposed Expences of repairing or constructing Fortifications 3,50,000

Supposed Surplus for Tents and contingent charges
Buying Cast Guns, Saving &c &c &c } 7,10,694

Total supposed Expence exclusive of Syds Ledgers &c 39,40,000

Establishment of a Cushoon [illegible]

Duty in Camp [illegible]

Drawbacks ——————— 8.674.6

Golandaz or Gunners.

1 — 1st Subidar or Officer —— 8.
1 — 2nd — D° ——— 6
2 — Duffedars or c.p.s. officers — 8
25 — Privates @ 2.5 ——— 62.5

Lascars for Drawing the Guns &c &c

1 Subidar ——— 10
6 Duffedars @ 5 ——— 30
60 Lascars @ 2.4 ——— 144
96 3.953"

The establishment of Gunners and Lascars to one Goon is intended for four Guns: but the number of Guns attached to each Cushoon when on the Field, depends on the nature of the Service and the strength of Corps and varies accordingly from one to four.

Each Cushoon has a Red Standard Triangular, with a green border, and Pendants to distinguish the Corps — and carried by six Chuckliers +

Establishment

+ The tallest Indian Chuckler who can be found +

Establishment of a Risala of Infantry

Pay in Sanscrit Coin

Strength —

1	Risaldar (Commandant)	30.
1	Hakeet (Adjutant)	7.
1	Vakeel (Accountant)	7.
408	6 Jungs (Companies)	1638.
1	Gurdoon (Drummer)	3. 8
1	Nishaun (Fifer)	3. 8
1	(Cymbal)	3. 8
		1693. 4
	Additional Pay if chosen men @ 16. 2 per Jung	97. 2 — 1790. 6

Each Risala has a Pair of Colours — Red silk, with a Green Border — Swallow Tailed. —

In the Field each Risala has a Smith and Carpenter attached to it. In Cantonments or Standing Camps all Artificers are employed in the General Work Houses, or Stores, to which all Arms &c are sent to be repaired.

Establishment of a Jung or Company.

1	Jungdar, or Captain	15.
3.	Jerchelts or Subalterns @ 8.	24.
6.	Jemaudars or Non Commn. Offs. @ 6.	36.
54.	Privates @ 3. 5	189.
	Do of chosen men @ 3. 8	205. 2
3.	Nayaums (Flat Bearers) @ 2. 2	6. 6.
1.	Cuttalee (Watchman)	2. 5
68 Officers & Men	Total monthly Pay of one Jung of ordinary or Battalion Men	273. 1
	Additional Pay to a Jung of chosen men @ 3 Jemaums each & 54 Privates	16. 2
	Monthly Pay of a Jung of chosen Men	289. 3

2nd Cutcherie. Bukshee Meer Mahomed

Chunder Kaun Khengurs Cutcherry 1100
Mahomed Yacoob's — " — 600
Lalla Hurkesun's — " — 2000
Gobeam Hoggaun's — " — 1400
Brahmeen Bey's — " — 900
Seyud Ally Beg's — " — 2000

Head Accountants { Baboo Raw, Baggawaunt Row }

Assistants { Narharie Raw, Hurry Chunder Row, Rhegoory Raw, Lechiman Raw }

Ser Shaksee an Brigade Major

3rd Cutcherie Bukshee, Chunder Nawas

Hussen Jaun Sullees Cutcherry 1100
Rahas Caun's — " — 1200
Nusseerut Caun — " — 500
+ Hussein Jaun Bajai's " (vacant) 1500
Ahmed Caun's — " — 800
Seyd Ashurufs — 700

Head Accountants { Baggawaunt Raw, Chunder Row }

Assistants { Ram Row, Kisna Row, Hunnumun Row, Baboo Row }

+ Hussein Caun Bajai being of the Sect of Mahadee, was banished in
# the Carnatic, uncle of Seyd Reza the Killidar who was killed in the storm of Bangalore

1st Patchers — Bakshee Hapee Mahomed Cawn

Her Boys Cushoon — 700
Adam Jaun Khan's Do. 700
Shahe Zahan's own — 500
Kaiser Sing's — 800.
Mahomed Fakil's — 2000
— this Cushoon was given over to Jad and is stationed between Purroomcondah and Raichotty — 4700

Head Accountant — Mahomed Row
Assistants — Names unknown

Abstract

1st Catchers of Infantry — 5,300
2nd Do Do — 8.000
3rd Do Do — 5,300
4th Do Do — 4700
Total strength of 23 Cushoons — 23,801

Establishment of a Cushoon

Jemadar or Commandant — 90
Officers 2070 — 5 Risaldars { 1 of First or Chosen Risala 170 / 4 of second or ordinary Do 373 each
Staff — 4
2074. 1 Cursheshee or Acct. Major — 12
1 Head Acct. 12 and 1 Assistant 7. 19
2684.6

The proportional existence of the Regular Horse above that of the Irregulars is Lancers as Cantonni Pagodas 108½ is to 78½ or in Star Pagodas as 90 : 12 : 38 is to 73 : 22 : 40 annually.

The irregular horse are by much the most valuable troops. They are better inured to fatigue, and having more experience they are less apprehensive of danger, and more capable of taking advantages of their Enemy. This observation however, applies more properly to the Leaders in the Privates, because constant removals take place among the Commandants of the Regular Horse, whose [illegible] depending more upon Court favour, than personal merit, their appointments are frequently conferred on persons of no experience, whereas those of the irregulars may be said to be permanent, and their appointments being rather the result of their own abilities and success in furnishing men and Horses, than upon the particular favour of their Prince. The Burkshees only are appointed by Sipha in the Irregular cavalry. They may be considered rather as Court-Spies over the Rysaldars than as executive Officers —

Establishment

Establishment of Infantry.

The Infantry is divided into Cutcheries or Brigades — The Cutcheries into Cushoons or Regiments and the Cushoons into Risalas or Battalions

4 Cutcheries at 6 Cushoons each

1st Cutcherie — Bukshee — Hyssan Ally Cawn

Abdul Aymans Cushoon 700
Mahomed Cazem's " 700
Syd Yosafs " 900
Syd Sultans " 1500
Hubeebcaun's " 600
Mahomed Hatheems " 700

Rusna Row, Head Accountant

Assistants: Buggawan Row, Kessoo Row, Narrain Row, Appoo Row

For Shakse, or Brigade Major
Shake Ibraheem

2nd Cutcherie

The Cawn of 1st Cutcherie was killed in the Storm — Resigned on the 20th February 1792.

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Irregular Levies. Silladar & Bard.

4 Catcheries at 10 Rissalas each

Strength

at Cuttcheree. — Burkshee, Baker Sahib

Jaussee Jaun's &c. 10 Rissalas at an average of 250 each — 2500

2nd Catcherie Burkshee, Ghan Ullah Jaun

Natu Jaun's — Caun Sahib's

Muckteem Jaun's — Hurry Singh's &c — 2000

Mani Singh's — 10 Rissalas at 200

3rd Catcherie: Burkshee - Mahomed Buckshun

Mukhtar Ally Jaun's — Syd Hasseen's

Mahomed Zumma's — Syd Yaseen's

Sewaur Jaun's — &c 10 Rissalas

Mean Dad Jaun's — @ 150 each — 1500

4th Catcheree Burkshee, Matab Jaun

Syd Fullah's &c 10 Rissalas at 150 each — 1,500

Total strength of the 4 Catcheries of Silladar — 7,500

The irregular Cavalry with the Risers are furnished by contract for which there are different rates from 22 to 50 Pondicherry Rupees for each Man and Horse

for a month of 30 days, according to arrest, and appearance at the time of being enrolled. — But there being a much greater proportion of the lower rates, than of the higher, the average pay of each man and Horse may be fixed at 28 Rupees, which makes the expence of 7500 amount to Rupees 210000. or Canteraw Pagodas 73,500, which sum multiplied by 9 the number of months in a year, gives Canteraw Pagodas 661500.

In the proportion of the calculation for the annual expence of 5940 Ravalar Horse the number of this description may be fixed to be in the service viz.

6450 with cost annually — Can. Pag.s — 698894.

Annual expence of 7500 Silladar

Horse as above — ——————————— 661500.

Ditto Battalion or independent Corps of Horse under the command of Bukshee Jaffer-Alley-Caun, 6 Nyaks at an average of 60 each — Total 360 at an average pay of 40 Rupees each per month = annual expence in Rupees 129.— — 2 Canteraw Pagodas — 45360

Supposed Total expence of the foraging part from Tippo's Treasury exclusive of 500 Horse kept up by Syd Saheb in Raichotty — } 1305,694

Establishment of a Putchorie

Pay of Canterai Pagodas -
Leave of 40 Days

1 Bukshee, Cmmt. — 100

Mohurrs, if complete
with 5040 Officers and
men — 34000

Ser Shakisee on
Brigade Allowance — 16

2 Accountants @ 7 — 14

Total annual Net pay of 5040 Horse — 34130

Expence of feeding and pay of Horsekeepers at the rate
of 3 Canterai Pagodas, per Horse for 40 Days — 15.120

Supposed expence for shoes, saddles, farbises
and incidents &c &c at 6 Canterai Fanams each
Horse — 3024

Total fixed charges for 40 Days — 52274

Total in one year of nine months + 470466

Supposed expence for purchasing
or raising a sufficient number to
supply casualties in time of Peace
at an average of 15 per Ct. and each
Horse to cost 100 Canterai Pagodas — 75.600

Items at Expence of 5040 Horse — 546.066

+ Nine months this may in reckoned the average in a year. Peace be generally found once in 39, 41, 41 or 42 Days

Establishment of a Mokkum or Regiment

Pay infantrai Pagodas
for 40 Days.

1. Mokkundar or Commandant	60.
4. Teeps or Risalas (Squadrons)	676.
2. Trumpeters at 6.	12
1. Ser Shaksee (Head Master)	12
expence monthly of a complete Mokkum	760

Establishment of a Teep or Squadron

1. Teepdar (Field Officer)	30
4. Euz or Troops at 408	632
1. Shakshee; Adjutant	10
1. Accountant	7
Total all monthly expence of a complete Teep	1679

Establishment of a Euz or Troop

1 Euzdar (Captain)	16
2. Serdeils (Subalterns)	20
6 Havildars (Serjeants) at	48
54 Troops @ 6.	324
monthly expence of a complete Euz	408

Troops under

in Tippo's service. But his master is so jealous of his influence among the troops that when there is a necessity to employ him in separate service, constant changes are made among the Corps, that when his character for talents, & apprehensions of his power, Tippo lately refused him his daughter, by a concubine marriage, with there did not appear any chance of his ever being her married to greater advantage, upon any foundation in respect of the attachment of this relation +

Tippo retains the whole patronage of his Army in his own hands, in the view justly that an Army modeled on a feudal Plan of Chiefs furnishing greater or less numbers of their immediate contingent of that Prince is a system dangerous to his Dominion

A Showing Detail of his Forces may be depended upon, so far as it relates to the numbers and the descriptions of Corps. But the strength of each being a circumstance nearly impossible to be ascertained with doubtless accuracy, I advance it only as estimates or conclusions drawn from various reports and habit of enquiry —

2nd His Cavalry is divided into Regulars and Irregulars

+ Tamur-ul Deen's father was brother to Tippo's mother.

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Irregular ~~The~~ the Horses of the former are the property of Government & those of the latter are almost all the property of individuals.

Detail of the Regular Horse or Askar

4 Cutcheries (Brigades) of 5 Mokums (Regiments) each

1st Cutcherie (Greys) — Bukshee — a native of Bengal

Ameen — Mr. Deen's Mokum		450
Mahomed Murtuza's	Do	450
Syd Josofs	Do	350
Syd Heydens	Do	400
Pandy Jasens	Do	400
		2050

2nd Cutcherie (Chesnuts) Bukshee Mahomed Baker

5 Mokums at an average of 400 each — 2000

3rd Cutcherie (Bays & Blacks) Bukshee Ina Hain

5 Mokums at an average of 240 each — 1200

4th Cutcherie (Duns) Bukshee Mahomed Hunsa

5 Mokums at an average of 240 each — 1200

6450

Establishment

The Staff Officer who commands

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of Tipoo's subjects, - and on that ground of, we, as regarding their own safety, it will be a measure to the Marattahs to connect themselves with Tipoo. —

Tipoo gives every encouragement to Merchants and others for the procuring of Horses. - Encouragements Caravans of them are constantly arriving at Seringapatam

— There is no news in the report of an Army having been formed for assembling at Seringapatam - all the Sirkar Gun Bullocks. - They are still employed as usual in time of peace / throughout the different parts of the Country for the purposes of tonnage. —

[illegible]

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Of Tippo's military force in October 1794

Tippo is the only Indian Prince who has persevered in disciplining and arranging his Army after a regular Plan. He has respects he is perfectly unprejudiced and ready to adopt any change which may occur for the improvement of his Troops.

The greatest part of his Infantry in time of Peace is cantoned on the Islands of Seringapatam and the Cavalry is stationed as near the Capital as can attention to forage and Cattle

He considers it imprudent to trust any large body of his troops from his immediate inspection. When there is the occasion to detach a considerable division of his army he adopts the same officer to remain long in command of the same men

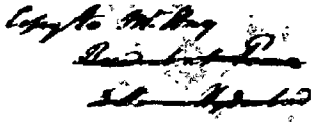
He has raised his Cousin German of Tippo's mother to the only man of rank on whose fidelity he has sufficient confidence to be trusted with a separate command as a permanent command. He is a man of very ordinary abilities as an Officer

Tippo himself is by far the ablest in command

which has arisen or may eventually arise between the two Powers in question. In the mean-time however preparations are making at Scutary & Gratz, and it is given out that the northern refractory Polygars are the objects of such preparations —

In conformity to this, Baber Jung a principal Sirdar and one of the best Soldiers in Tippoo's Service, was detached about a month ago towards Dharwar and the Northern frontiers with a small army of 2000 Horse and three Cushoons of Infantry, with instructions to encrease that force, by new levies, as quickly as possible. — It is said that Meer Sumroor-ood-deen will join or follow in a short time with a more considerable force in order to join Baber Jung & to reinforce Dharwar.

Durbar that the professations made on
Tofstoe's part to the Poonah government
are of a mature hostile to the English,
surporting that in case he afforded the
required assistance on the present occasion,
that the Marattas should there after conform
with him in his Designs against the
English. — to which it is believed
that the Marattahs will be well en-
clined, — for it is reported at Tofstoes
Court that they are very much provoked
against the English for allowing a
body of English troops to act in concert,
with the Nizam, to the great prejudice
of, and in opposition to, the Maratta in-
terests — and that although the English
endeavour to palliate that by insisting
assertions that the Troops have only
are on the pay and service of the Nizam
and totally unconcerned with the Eng.
Interest and views yet it is generally
that the Nizam is to be



Extract to Edward Livingston

Mr. Mount six weeks ago received from Count Appony a letter of Tuesday's date — He spoke at Schonbrunn, and had frequent conferences with Prince Metternich, the general opinion of the Cabinet is that the Sultan has rejected the overtures made to him by the Mediation of Austria, England & France in the dispute which may arise between them with the Viceroy — Another letter will however be expected shortly from Constantinople with decisive answer, it is said to the proposals as Prince Metternich has not made. — And upon the answer which will probably arrive the Count Mount will immediately apply for his passports and depart for Paris — He will decline communicating to take part in any conference

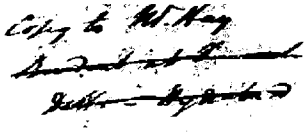
two Horses during the Interval of the Rounds
Parties [illegible] one of the Combatants
themselves the other for the use of one
the Rounds retained, with together with
the Horse, is always to be at the command
of the Sultaun, and to attend whenever
called upon

— It is understood that Tippoo
is going to be married to a Daughter
of Sidee Sahib — who is now at Garrison —
combat, whether Sidee Golaum Ali Khan
has been sent on the part of the Sultaun
in order to arrange and settle the business

— The late Nabob (or Regency)
at Seringapatam was not an account of
the Marriage of the two Young Princes,
Mirza & Abdulla but entirely on
an occasion of the Ceremony of the Hakeem
(or Circumcision)

C. Boucher

Tegottah
Nov. 26 1794



Intelligence obtain from a Person just left Seringapatam on the 10th Inst. and arrived at Nuncklan on the 26th Inst. —

— Tippoo Sultaun was at Seringapatam, — and no talk of his leaving the field. — It was said however, that a body of troops were preparing to march shortly under the command Saha-ud-Deen Khan, the brother, as say to be called of Cummer-ud-Deen Khan

A Vakeel from the Mahratta Camp arrived from the Nizam was at Seringapatam — Meer Sang with a small force was on the Northern frontier acting against the Mahrattas. — Encouragement of these intelligence induced me to Seringapatam, Tippoo Sultaun given Orders to encouragement to Him to the Nizam — Cant Cummer-ud-Deen with a small force to Bijapore to provide and maintain

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proceeded to the Northward, and [illegible]
encamped a small distance
near the Salamander Coal Pits; consisting
as they suppose of three regiments of
Infantry and 20 Guns. — They do not
know the name of the person in com
mand — It was also reported that
Tippoo was preparing to take the field
and would shortly join the army —
It was said by some Persons that the
assembling of the Army on the Northern
Frontier was intended to deceive, — and
that Tippoo, having collected his force,
would then turn his arms against the
English —

The Marathas are Northward
they returned to Shevagunga, — where
there are about 2000 Horse at forage —
— From hence, they went to Nargun
the fort of Savendroog, and the Peshwa
and his army, are undergoing repairs.

Yours

From Mâhé. Hyder came to Bengalore
& Tipoo is almost totally destroyed. —
The Durg, Mahl / the Palace / still re-
main entire, — and the Pettah — which
latter the Sultaun had ordered to be
burnt in a fortnight's time. —
— From Bengalore, they re-
turned to Vycottah. —

G. Dundas

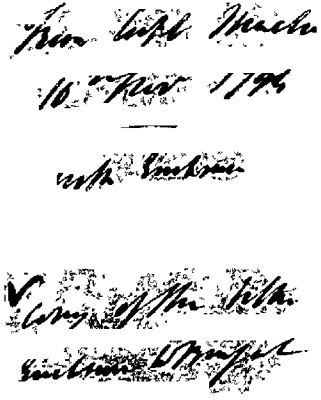
Rep. Mahé
Nov. 26. 1794

Intelligence brought to the Residency of my
Hircarrahs left Aycottah on the 1st
and returned further on the 24th Inst. —

They went from here to
Gurrumcondah — by the road of Bufsoor,
Mercotah, Donelli &c. — At Bufsoor and
& the many Towns & Surrounded Villages,
on the Left of every one that the English
Army ever Entered, it was held as an
Enemy; — Where as a friend, and has ever
English Settlers, and the Natives were
Against the Mahrattas. —

— From Gurrumcondah in
Invaded by the Army of Balaram Sha
and Meergee Rao towards Poonah every
where which they saw the Cavalry &
Horse of the Mahratta Army &
from the Mahratta Country as far as
the Nizam's Country —

— From Gurrumcondah they
proceeded



Tract Department
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Report of Narsoji, a Harcarrah, who left Seringapatam on the 3rd of November 1794.

Tippo is at Seringapatam. No late movement has taken place in his army. There is still a vague report of a Division of the army marching thence to the northward: But as no apparent prepa-ration is going forward it is unreasonable to conclude the report is without foundation.

William Macleod

Raidroor
10th November 1794.

The Right Honorable
Lord Hobart
&c &c

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Secret Department

My Lord

I have the honor of transmitting the report of a Harcarrah who returned today from Seringapatam. I have purposely omitted to insert some circumstances mentioned in the reports of other Harcarrahs, as being unimportant.

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect

My Lord

Your Lordship's very obedient humble servant

William Medows

Raisepoor
10th November
1794

The Right Honorable
Lord Hobart
&c &c

Secret Department

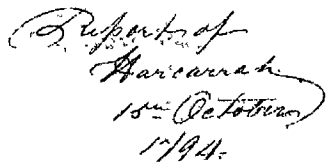
Report of Meer Ram, a Marcarah, who left Seringapatam on the [illegible] October 1794.

[illegible] Seringapatam with his troops. On account of his position he has not during the last three weeks appeared out of the Palace.

The Seringapatam Army have lately been supplied with ammunition.

A Dubash is said to have been sent to order the Regular Infantry in the Chungatore Country to join the army at Seringapatam. But it does appear that any other Corps absent from their Quarters have received orders to join.

A report has lately prevailed that Tippoo Sultan has by a concubine [illegible] Hyder Saheb



Secret Department

Report of Viswanadra, a Harcarah who left Seringapatam on the 7th of October 1794.

Tippoo with his Infantry and part of his Cavalry continues at Seringapatam. The whole in the same position as has been lately described by other Harcarahs nor does there appear to be any intention to move from thence.

It was reported at Seringapatam that some Mahratta Cavalry were assembling near the Northern Banks of the River Tungabadra; but there was no public expectation of their design.

The Inhabitants of Bangalore are still confined to their Barriers on the West Face.

Seringapatam
5th. October 1794.

Thomas Marriott

Intelligenz from Leipzig
Date 8 September 1794
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Joint Department 78

My Lord

I have the honor to forward the purport of the report of a Harcarrah who left Serengapatam on the 7th Instant.

Two Brahmins whom I sent upwards of a month ago to the Mysore country with the view of establishing themselves about Tippoo's Frontier have returned without effecting that design or obtaining any satisfactory intelligence

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect My Lord Your Lordship's very obedient humble servant

William Macleay

Chendrerungalum 15th October 1791.

The Right Honble Lord Hobart Governor &c &c &c

The mother of Tippoo died about the 10th of August in consequence of which there was a stop to all public business in the Durbar and to the beating of Nagarra at the Palace for the first ten Days.

William Medows

Namcal
2nd September 1794

Report of Jubiah a Harcarah who left Seringapatam on the 1st August 1794

Tippo Sultaun is at Seringapatam the Infantry, as usual on the Island and the Cavalry stationed within a few miles of it - Syd Jaheb with remains at Carroomconda - Cumer-ul-Deen and the chief Officers are all at the Capital

There is no appearance of any movement of troops taking place

A young man said to be a son of the late King of Delhi arrived at Seringapatam about the 15th of August supposed to have fled there for protection.

The

nd one Thousand Horse — No other detach-
ment of consequence is absent from Seringapatam

Tippo has refused to give his daughter in
marriage to Cameruddeen who in consequence
was about three Weeks ago married to the
Daughter of a private Musselman of
Seringapatam

Tippo's Infantry is now entirely composed
of Moormen and Recruits of that cast more
than 2000 entertained in various parts of the Country to
complete the Cushoons

The Sultaun has not yet quite recovered
from the fall he has from his Elephant

Gorham Colly Cawn is again received into favor
the six days banished faqeers have been employed
in demolishing Tippo for several Nights this last
week

but the Works are so substantial that the greatest part still remains entire.

The Outwork covering the West Gate of Bangalore is levelled – and it is said the Sultan had once resolved on the demolition of that Fort – but was dissuaded by the Persons of his Durbar

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very obedient
Humble Servant
William Mac.

Ramnad
9th August 1794

Copy to Mr. Hay.

To William Thos Taylor Esq^r

Secretary &c &c

Sir

I have to acquaint the Honorable the Governor, that Narrarak returned last night from Seringapatam, which he left on the 30th of last month. He came by the route of Bangalore and Ooscotta.

The report of Tippoo's death is confirmed without hesitation. The Narrarak having seen him about the 27th of last month, looking at the workmen employed in the fortification of the North face.

The Infantry are assembled on the Island and continue still at Goorumcondah with the exception of three thousand Infantry and

, credit, altho' a Bramin belonging to Erroad who came from Seringapatam told me in positive terms that he was told by Purnea, in confidence, that the Sultaun deceased about the 8th of this month.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very obedient Servant

William Macleod

Raidepoor

26th July 1794

To William Tollemache Pearson Esqr.
Secretary &c. &c.

Sir

Please to acquaint the Honorable the Governor that a Marcarah who had been sent to the Inundation Country returned last night. He says that all the Forts below the Gauts are garrisoned by Peons and that there are about eight hundred regular Infantry and five hundred Horse stationed at Palatchy (mean Animalie) which detachment came from Seringapatam in February last and is the only force of any consequence in that quarter.

It has been lately reported by travellers that Tippo is dead but some of the Marcarahs sent to Seringapatam have got made such a report which I believe myself deserves no credit

present — about the 20th June at a view of his Elephants near the Palace in the Fort — The number of which amounted to One hundred and ten.

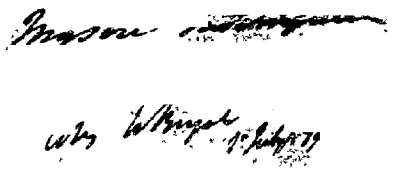
He pays particular attention to the Training of Horses — There are 200 Arab Brood Mares near Seringapatam which have a certain number of Colts annexed to them yearly — The Chief Officer excepting Sayd Saheb who is at Goorumconda are present at Seringapatam."

William Marley

present about the 20th of June at a view of his Elephants near his Place in the Fort the number of which amounted to One hundred and ten.

He has a particular Genius for the Manege of Horses. There are six hundred Blood Mares in his Stables with a certain number of Colts attached to them for feeding them. All the Chief Chiefs accepting Cyd Saheb who is at Goorrumcondah are present at Seringapatam."

William Macleay



Calcutta 4th July 1794.

Extracts from the Report of a Person
Harcarah who left Seringapatam
on the 26th June

He confirms the late reports respecting
P.T. Tippoo's intention that he
country shall enjoy Peace for five years - -
the importing Colonies Corps to his country on the
Coast has been prohibited -

The greatest Zeal & Activity is exerting at
Seringapatam, on the Island - and almost the
whole Labitants, which may be computed
about 10.000 are employed in Carrying
within thirty miles of the Capital

Stores - Troops - to be more regularly

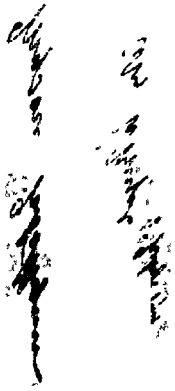
Sevl. Several months back, Sippo has been
recommending to his Officers not to enlist any
Recruits except Moormen. About the beginning
of this month upon mustering the Troops at
the Capital the number of Hircars among
them amounted to 3000. which were at the
time discharged from their several Corps
enrolled as Lascars

It has been lately proclaimed
by beat of Tom-Tom "that whereas Sultan
Ali Peishcar has been Coasting for three years and
that during that space he purposed to
go to Seringapatam" and at present
there is not any appearance of other service

The construction of an entire Wall
and Ditch on the North side as shall be
noticed in former reports continues to be
carried

carries on, but must require many years
to elapse before it's completion."

William Mallory



[illegible] Sept. the [illegible] [illegible]
he ordered all that called [illegible] to
the Barrister [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] law
Chief men were put to [illegible] [illegible] among
whom was Simon Yoke, who was
Faujedar of Dalgaitterry - without any
plausible cause excepting their negligence
ever — The Petitioner & Serrupappa
who also was of that persuasion is now
in Irons

I Pray the Favor to be
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Madras
22nd Jan 1744

Wellum 25th June 1792.

Extracts from the Report of Conkerah Harcarah to the Left Seringapatam on the 19th of this month

Seppo is at Seringapatam.

Troops now in the vicinity of that place are computed at 12000 Foot and 6000 Horse—

There has not been any detachment of any kind sent from thence excepting two Pushcows (2500 Infantry) which marched about 40 North ago for the Tomoacoil Country for the purpose of protecting that quarter against Timba Gour and other Parties of Plunderers

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corage. - He is now engaged in fortifying his Capital, especially the North Face - where he is cutting a new Ditch and building a new Rampart

His Antipuers are again employed in making Elephants although there is not the smallest appearance of the present peace which is general throughout the Dominions being disturbed

Two Battalions of Infantry (about 2500) have been for a month past stationed at Arcot which is about twenty Miles North West from the Pass of Gujelgutty.

It is said that Syd Saheb is ordered to Seringapatam from Patroon condra in consequence of Tippoo's intention to marry one of his Daughters. And it is also believed that Jamair-ul-Deen is to be married to one of Tippoo natural Daughters.

Goodam Abbs Esqr

Purnea [illegible] the Hon'ble
Governor on account of a suspicion
of his having received money from the Nabob
and others during his residence in the Fouzdaree
of Purnea for his family which is
contained in the Fort of Seringapatam and he
himself in a Tent on the North side of the
River Cauvery at some distance with the
Sultan's Presence. This misfortune is
imputed to the jealousy and intrigues of
Meer Saadick the Dewan, whose influence is
so powerful that his hatred or favor alone
is sufficient to ruin the first and prefer the
most infamous Characters under his master's
Government.

A dispute having happened relative to
religious principles between a Mahomedan

v Copy to Mayor

To William Jollens Jackson Esqr

Secretary &c &c

Sir

Several Marcarahs who have been sent to Seringapatam returned within the last month, but their accounts so unsatisfactory that I do not judge it proper to intrude on the Governors time by communicating any matter which might appear incorrect or of no importance

Yesterday an Inhabitant of this place in the character of a Merchant returned from Seringapatam in twelve days, and brings the following intelligence which I believe to be nearly true.

"Tippo is at Seringapatam with the greatest part of his Infantry— His Cavalry being chiefly detached for the convenience

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Mons. Chevé the Commandant of the Corps formerly Lally's are in Camp with the Sultaun. The Strength of his Army may be reckoned about Eight Thousand Foot Five Thousand Horse and Eleven Guns — The Troops are not so well clothed nor so well paid as they usually has been

The two Sons that were Hostages and two others are in Camp with the Sultaun.

The Harcarah left Pauconda on the 22nd of the month — it was then reported the Army was to ~~halt~~ there for three days, and afterwards to march to Seringapatam, which is about seven marches distant from thence.

Orders are given by Tippoo to destroy Gyoor, and strengthen Dewanhully.

Note. I have reason to believe the above man Harcarah has been in Tippoo's Camp and that he describes it with some truth —

The report of an intrigue with the Sultaun's Ministers is probably without foundation, altho' the idea of embracing an opportunity that might promise to obtain revenge is consistent with the Sultaun's character.

William Kirkpatrick

Stellig von Jem
Capt Meacham

Coby Bryant.

Tellum 4th May 1794

Report of Venkitty Ram, a Marcarah who returned from Tippoo's Camp.

Tippoo with his Army marched on the 13th of April from Little Balapoor — and in nine marches by a circuitous route reached Pancanee on the 21st of April, having encamped at the following places, viz. Periasamooder, Goorubunda, Nurgudeckerra, Leibarky, Cotcoor, Penconda, and Rustumgurry —

It appears by this route that as far as Bengaconda the direction of his march was towards Chittledroog, and that the two marches from Penconda to Pancanda were in the direction of Seringapatam — It had been conjectured in his Camp until the direction of his route was changed that he was marching to the Northern Frontiers in consequence of some intrigues with the Nizam's ministers, and it seems to be carried into effect on the event of the late Nizam's death, by an insurrection another Candidate for the Subahship in favour of the Princes nominated by the late Nizam:

Cumar Ul Deen Yacoob Ul Deen and Mons.

Copy to Bengal
2d April

Extracts from the Report of Sanojee Harcarah, who left Tippo's Camp on the 30 April 1791.

"That Tippo was encamped near Mudrapeery on the 30th April—

He had assembled the Amildars of Bangalore, Magueri &c. to have their accounts examined—

His Force is described to be the same as reported by Venkat-Ram, who returned from his Camp on the 4. May— with this exception, That he has detached a considerable proportion of his Cavalry to the Banks of the Cavere for the convenience of forage.—

The Harcarah affirms having seen four Mines sprung on the Fortification of Ossore on the 4th of this month.

William Macleay

Seringa 10. May 1794

Copy to Bengal

Allum 29th March 1794.

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Extracts from the Report of Narsoje, a Harcarah, who left Bangalore on the 21st Instant

Tippo with a Detachment of about 3000 Horse and 5000 Infantry, with 12 Guns encamped on the South side of Bangalore about the 14th of this month. — His Sons who were Hostages had not at that time reached him. — He has given directions for making repairs to the Fortifications of Bangalore. —

He has visited Chandroog in his circuit to Bangalore — and gave orders for repairing the Works of that Fortress. — It is reported he will visit Ghore and Nundydroog before his return to Seringapatam.

Some of the Polygars whose Districts lay between Colar and Gurroomconda having laid waste part of the Jongamoor District — it is thought Cummer ul Deen who is in Camp with Tippo, will be detached Northward for the purpose of checking their depredations.

William Macleod

A Detachment of two Cushoons and three Hundred Horse was detached from Coringapatam for the Coimbatoor Country on the 9th. February, to proceed that country against Tona Gour and others who have lately been committing depredations in that quarter

William Chalmers

Salem
18th. February 1794

Copy to Thayer

Extracts from the report of Shake Bhoma a native of Salem, who being sent for Intelligence to to Seringapatam, left that place on the 9th Instant

Tippo with five Cushoons (4500) infantry and six or seven Hundred Horse, marched about the middle of January on the Northern road — He was on the 17th at Hicoopam, which is about Forty Miles from Seringapatam in a direction nearly North West. It is commonly believed he has no other object in view, excepting the amusement of Tiger-Hunting, and that he will go to Bangalore before his return to Seringapatam. It is reported that Sandiah has solicited his assistance against the Nizam — but as the greatest part of his Infantry is at Seringapatam — almost all his Cavalry detached at forage, and no preparation making for war, there seems no reason to believe that he has any inclination to listen to such overtures, if made by Sandiah.

Tippo is accompanied by Meer Alum and the principal persons of his Durbar.

Intelligence from Seringapatam

Dated 22d December 1793

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Report of Banoji a Hircarrah who
left Seringapatam on the 5th of February 1794.

Tippo escorted by a few Thousand
Horse and Foot set out from Seringapatam about
the middle of January on a Hunting Party
towards Melcode and Cragamungalum: Ittes
reported he will visit Savandroog and Bangalore
before his return to the Capital. —

The Inner Ditch on the North Face of
Seringapatam, and the other additions to the
Fortifications as mentioned in Ramappa's report
of the 21st December last are still continued
to be carried on. —

Excepting the above mentioned escort there
has not been any late movement from the troops
at Seringapatam.

William Chalmers

Selum 16th February 1794.

+ The Road to Savandroog &c

absence of the several Garrisons, yet the Infantry quartered at Seringapatam, on the Island, may be computed at about under Ten Thousand.

Six Cavalry is attached in small Parties for the convenience of forage on the Banks of the Caveri, above and below Seringapatam — There are not more than three or four Hundred Horse stationed at the Capital

And the Country in the neighbourhood of the above Garrisons was by accident on the 6th December last with such heavy rain as to be the cause of much damage

It is stated that Seringapatam is not fortified.

Hostile Chiefs are soon expected to return and it is believed they will be accompanied by a European Gentleman.

Note. The Mancerah who brings the foregoing is a person of approved merit in his line. His report may be relied upon as being in general strictly true

I believe that the greatest force which could now be brought into the field would not exceed 25000 Infantry, and 9000 Horse, and that the former might be computed at three fifths and the latter at one half of the force he had not included in his Garrisons at the beginning of the war in 1790.

An abatement of Rice seems now to prevail more generally throughout the Mysore Dominions than at any period since the commencement of Hyder's Government

William Kirkpatrick

Intelligence from Madison.
27 November 1793

Allum 29th December 1793

Report of Ramadas Hannah left Seringapatam on the 15th December 1793.

The inside of Seringapatam appears to be more intended for fortifying the Capital than ever. Tippoo has pulled down the Rampart in many places, altho in some places he has raised it considerably higher than it was before. It is thought he intends to cut an inner Ditch round, and that the new inner Rampart will be composed of the materials. The improvements making to the citadel are not yet finished. He is raising an outer wall to the Citadel, but which it appears cannot be completed for many years.

The Sannas Campoo has been detached a party of Horse and Foot by Cutbur Ali Khan Hurkarrah Chief, in pursuit of Tobyganda's army to Seringapatam. Tobyganda is the Rajah of Gurramconda as the said Officer of Rank absent from Seringapatam and at the head of his Detachment of the army

Intelligence from Trincomalee

Dated 8th October 1795

No. 116

Copy to W. Hay

Nattoor 27th November 1793

Report of Meer Hami, a Harcarah who
ran to Cattaim on the 11th November 1793.

Tippoo Sultaun had been pitched on the North
side of the River for a few days about the beginning of this
month to muster the Division which had been under
the command of Cummur ul Deen

Cumur ul Deen is at Seringapatam and by
reports not in great favor with Tippoo.

Excepting Syd Saheb and his Division all the
chief Officers who had been detached for reducing Polygers
have returned to Seringapatam Syd is at
Durroom conna.

The Force at present assembled at
Seringapatam amounts to about Fourteen Thousand
Infantry

... Mr Cameron undoubtedly had taken Heerchinger Droog about the middle of August — And immediately afterwards detached Chungie Cawn towards Sangor with a Party of Horse and Infantry to awe other refractory Polygars in that quarter — Three Cashoons and Six Guns from Cameron Mr Deans Division arrived on the 22 of September at Seringapatam — and Cameron Mr Dean himself with the remainder of his Party (chiefly Horse) was said to be at Taonkoor, but soon expected to Seringapatam —

The whole Army at Seringapatam (and on its Islands) consists of Eleven Thousand Men, which probably must amount to as many Thousand effective Men, which with near 9,000 Horse at Balaklay, comprise the Force in neighbourhood —

William Macleod.

Mr Macleod with the Journey in which he proceeded upon —

† 41 Miles North of Seringapatam
‡ 9 Miles East of Seringapatam

Intelligence from
Seringapatam.
Dated 23d. Sept. 1793

Copy to Mr. Hay

Tondamungalum 2d October 1793

Extracts from the Diary of Ramaswamy a Havildar
Commandant on the 30th of September 1793

Tiger to be accommodated while mustering
the Horse has his tent pitched near the spot where Nobats
Every one stood, our Regt remains to the East.
each Division of Horse being mustered is dismissed, and &c.
to the former foregoing Nature
much engaged with the Infantry
upon Work which had
begun to be erected on the South and West Faces as for the
present required and all the Work People are employed
in raising the East Gate and the Works adjacent the East
and South Gates and also in enlarging the Cavaliers on
the East and North Faces. The new Traverses of
the South, or Mysore Gate, are not yet near com-
pleted

Camp Mo

[illegible] Cavalry marched during the night
[illegible] Bantchingale Camp

William Wallace

Note — The Persons who bring the foregoing Intelligence Hircarahs Catelis entertained and being found upon cross-examination to differ upon some points, their report is not to be much depended upon — It has however been Certainly reported at Seringapatam that Cumur Ul Deen was marching thither with the troops under his Command.

Endeavours to ascertain the truth of the report shall be made by a trusty person to Seringapatam

J. Wallace

Intelligence from Seringapatam

Dated 15th Sept. 1793

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Copy of Letter from Major General

Boolampully 23d Sept 1793.

Extract from the Diary of Hurkaru and Arnachelum Harcarahs from Camp Mr Dirs Camp

"That on the 2d Instant they met Camar-al-Dien Division on its march between Dawoulherry and Soa at which last place it encamped on that Day — On — encamped at Chellore and on the 10th at — from whence it moved on the 11th towards

Arrangements in the Camp that their party had rather overtaken Dhoondia and was returning to Seringapatam by Nyghts Stages —

That the Detachment consisted of 4000 Infantry, 2000 Horse 20 Guns, and two Battering Guns — and Chanjie Cauen, with a Corps + about sixty Sheles at Most from Seringapatam

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A large sum of money is said to be preparing to be sent to Mudhoojee Bhonslay.

It was reported that Ramchunder Punt had taken Hootchingee Droog and was ordered to Seringapatam with his Division.

William Wallace

Note — I conclude the last paragraph to be false, because former reports which I believe to have been true, mentioned Gunnoo Ul Deen's having raised the siege of Hutchingee Droog.

There appears no particular improbability in any other part of the foregoing report.

Intelligence from Seringapatam

Dated 2 Sept.r 1793

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15 Miles West from Shinkle-Droog — 15 — 45 — 93

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Extracts from the Report of the Cooly Ram Harcarah who left Seringapatam on the 8th Inst

Tippoo Sent was pitched on the North side of the Cavery opposite to Ranganam on the 2nd Instant — but there are not any troops encamped near it excepting a small Guard. —

Cootoob-ul-Deen is arrived from Bidamore with seven or eight hundred horse and about double that number of Infantry — He is encamped a little way Westward from Somarpet — The Infantry on the Island about 6,000 still occupy their former position — excepting a party of 600 which have moved to Sultanpet — which with 300 Horse and two Guns are said to be destined to join Syd Ahmed Cawn to reduce to obedience some refractory Polygars in the Coimbatoor Country —

Tippoo is constructing an inner Rampart on the West and North Faces of the Fort, as was reported by a former Harcarah. —

Intelligence from Seringapatam

Date 26th August 1793

rec.d 6th Septem.r

Sholapaddy 9th September 1793

Extracts from the Report of Shahe Imam, [illegible] who returned from Seringapatam which he left on the 1st Instant

Cumur-ul-Deen having been obliged to raise the siege of Hootchingee Droog is encamped with his Army Fifteen Miles to the Southward of it — and the Polygars who had been besieged in that place, still continue to make frequent and destructive night sallies into his Camp.

There has been a report that Cumur-ul-Deen himself was wounded — but as that is not founded on sufficient authority it does not deserve credit.

The Force at and near Seringapatam is computed to be about 30000 Horse and above 60000 including the Troops which came from Biddenore under Shahomed Reza. —

Tippo is at Seringapatam —

William Macleod

Intelligence from Lieut. Marks
of Naval Date 31 July 1793.
rec 5 August

Coll. Wm Bentick

Extracts from the Report of Narrain, who left Seringapatam on the 26th of August 1793.—

[illegible] It is reported at Seringapatam, that Cumr-ul-Deen has not yet renewed his attack against Hoottaingee-Droog—and that he is encamped fifteen miles to the Southward of that Place—

Tippoo is at Seringapatam—The troops in the neighbourhood are computed to be between six and seven thousand Infantry—and about three thousand Horse—There is no preparation making nor any idea of Tippoo taking the Field—

He has begun an inner Wall on the North Face, which is said to be thirty feet thick and sixty Feet distant from the former Rampart

Syd Saheb is said to be between Gurromconda and Nidoot—and Cootoob-ul-Deen in charge of the Bidnore country

It appears that a considerable number of Prisoners were put to death at Seringapatam about the 10th or 11th of July last, as has been before reported—

William Marlow

Read 2nd September 1793

e aural Natives, can be have amounted to One Hundred and Thirty
were put to death about the 10th of the Month. The Rebels
confounded different parties for parties against us.

There are about 5000 Infantry encamped upon the
Island and 2000 More partly there and on the South Side
of the Cocoanut Woods Battalions entered on the
Eastern Side about 2000 Infantry and 300 Horse for
Bideford, which are encamped at the Cocoanut Wells
the Plains being so high as not to be passed.

It is the opinion that no Reconnoitring Boats if
possible be obtained for the Army at Mauritius
Harbour and Carnarvon

William Hood Read

Extracts from the Report of
Subrish and Nullah Hirrandi
who had been sent to —
Gurrasconda and to Cummer ul
Deen's Camp.

Dated. Nameal 22d. July 1791

No 26 —

Copy W Kemp

Namcul 31st July 1793

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Extract from the Diary of Lieut. Roach a Marcarah

[illegible]

[illegible] on the 28th of June encamped [illegible] a Corps of three or four thousand men at Bonoor, remained [illegible] the 29th the month, on which day he returned with his Camp Equipage &c to the Fort of Seringapatam— [illegible] does not appear to be any [illegible] making for taking the Field.

Two Messengers arrived from Cumar ul Deen, that he had fallen back ten miles Eastward from Hurrehinge-Droog, which he was besieging, and that as Chanjie Cun had made his escape with the reinforcement sent from Seringapatam it is expected he will immediately renew the attack of that place with success.

The alterations which Tippo is making in the south Gate-way of Seringapatam are not yet near being completed— He has begun a new Outwork to cover the East-

ward

unsuccessful in four attempts made upon the Hill — and that a Detachment to be made was raised by the Body of

About the 5th of this month there was a Detachment under Chauvjie Caun and Jetinga which had marched from Seringapatam on the 27th of June to reinforce Cumur-ul-Deen — It had four Battering Guns with it — but no Field Guns — a circumstance which appears to confirm that that Party was sent to reinforce Cumur-ul-Deen for the sieg[e] of Neetukinjee Durgy

The Breaches made in Sundy Durgy by the English Army are completely repaired, and a considerable number of people are employed in finishing the fortification of Dewanhully —

They heard from reports that Tippoo was encamped at the Ghaut Salloo — nine Miles distant from Seringapatam —

Excepting a Party of 300 Infantry at Closs

which

which has been there for some months — Eight do
no other troops between Bangalore and the Eastern
Boundary —

William Medlicott

Paragraphs, which are circumstances [illegible]
have seen [illegible]
W. Marcus

[illegible]
Respectfully [illegible]
Capt. W. Bright

Namcul 27th July 1793

Extracts from the Report of Cubick and Nullah Mercarah, who had been sent to Gurrooconda and to Camur Ul Deen's Camp —

They went by the Pass of Condecotah Cotah, and Capinpilly to Gurroomconda, and from thence to Gooloor where Hyder Saheb is cantoned with two Battns of Infantry and 1000 Horse — from Gooloor they returned to Chintamunpah and went by Nundy Droog, and Great Pass to Camur Ul Deens Camp before Hoodekonga Droog which they left on the 30th of June — During three Days they were in Camur Ul Deens Camp, no operations were carrying on against the Fort as he expected a reinforcement of Battering Cannon and troops from Srungapatam — they understood that he had been unsuccessful 4 thirty miles North East from Gurroomconda —

Extension of the Garrison in N. Part of
Jumgapatam – save are no troops remaining [illegible] the Island
excepting about Vessies Corps of 800 or 1000 and one
Rajpoola of Chelas – 400

Near Camp Cossan or Hill on the Island – We has
directed to march constantly three Divisions for three months
[illegible] in rains

The Detachment which marched on the 27th of June
is to reinforce Camour 48 Descriptive [illegible] an obstinate
[illegible] from the Polygars in and about Hoor [illegible]
towards the capture of which Place it seems to have made
little or no progress altho it has been besieging it since
February last – A Detachment was sent by Camour Ul Jean
Khan to intercept a Convoy of Provisions
which was coming to relieve the besieged – was attacked
by the Polygars and routed – the Commandant Sudan Cou.
was killed – and the majority of the Detachment which consists
of near three thousand men escaped by flying to Camour Ul
Jean's Camp which was only one march distant

H. Wilson

The Main Action. The Polygars who defend Bootchingle Droog make frequent regular Sallies into the Trenches and Camp of Cumr-ul-Deen carrying back as Trophies the Heads of such of their Enemies as are so unfortunate as fall into their hands —

The ill success of Cumr-ul-Deen against the Polygars is the cause of Chanjee Rainis marching Northward — and supposed to be the cause of Tippoo's marching out to the Ghaut Pass.

Purseram Bhow is reputed to be instigating the Polygars in their Warfare against Tippoo — and Hal Beg has been sent some Mogul Infantry from his own Body Guard to defend Bootchingee Droog against Cumr-ul-Deen.

There seems to be not the smallest suspicion in the Mysore Country of Tippoo having any intention of assisting the French —

Parmuttay 9. of July 1793. William Chalmers

The Harcarah who brings the foregoing is a trusty man & may be credited especially so far as regards the first Four

Extracts from the Report of Ramapah a Havildar on the Left Seringapatam on the 2nd of July 1799

Chanjee Cawn with six Cushoons of Infantry crossed the North Branch of the Cavery at Seringapatam on the 27th of June and encamped the same day at Soonoor about nine Miles North West from Seringapatam the next day Friday the 28th he marched to Chagamungulum which is on the Channedrong

On the 29th of June 120 Camels of which 110 were loaded with Treasure crossed the North Branch of the River under a common escort of Infantry and Horse, and said to be destined for Chadrad to pay the Balance of Cash due to the Corporation

On Sunday the 30th of June Tippoo with four Battalions of Chelaparumbas Hatch two or three Hundred Horse Peons and other a Rundan to amounting to 4000 of all descriptions marched out from Seringapatam and encamped at Soonoor commonly known by the name of Chootee Sahib's Tomb and took Lord Cornwallis's Tent also

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[illegible] Dept. [illegible]

[illegible]

It was reported at Seringapatam that

Army was assembling at Pondicherry [illegible]

the English & had already commenced between the

and English but there did not seem that any Decla

nation was supposed among the part of their conte

It was reported that a considerable num

Camels and Mules were soon to be loaded with Treasu

and Stores for the purchase of Bara & the Re

of the sum stipulated by the Treaty. That the

Hostages might be returned &c.

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Farmouth

3rd July 92

Extracts from the Report of Shubiah Das Journal
& Harcarahs who left Seringapatam the 25th June
1793

Affairs at Seringapatam — It does not appear that any Arrangement of consequence has taken place among the Troops since they last when a reinforcement was sent to Cuddapah and Rootdundroog

There are about six thousand Infantry upon the Island and about four Thousand Horse now stationed at different villages on the South side of the River

A Frenchman who has come from Pondicherry was to be charged with a message from that Government to Tippo regarding the breaking out of a war with the English, and proposing that he would join them in that event, was not admitted into Tippo's presence but obliged to remain in Cossid Tisses Camp, where

he

The only Ports on the Coast of the Province that I am aware of are Carroor, Dindigul, and Palnaud on the West. These are garrisoned by Sepoys only — the other Forts viz. Erroad, Daraporam, Coimbatore are in a state of ruin & seeming by not intended to be repaired.

It appears from the accounts of the Coimbatore country that not more than ½ of the usual Revenue is at present collected from it.

It was reported absent when Cannoo Pettherie that Amur-ul-Deen had taken Bhotchingee Durga from the Polygar who defended it.

Note — Whereas being [illegible] to an enclosure of communication between the country and Pondicherry and there being [illegible] of the Mancarahy report unfavorable there not any reason to doubt the truth of what he reports to have seen and heard. —

William Macleod